Tanks and troops patrol streets

Algeria election in doubt after president quits

damentalist state, won a

landslide victory in the first

round of parliamentary elec-tions on December 26 and

looked certain to win the ma-

jority it needs in the second

radio station. Riot police were

also sent to the fundamental-

ist strongholds of Bab el-

ons not to travel to the coun-

try and told nationals living

there to keep in touch with the

British embassy and "to take

sensible precautions and

avoid potential troublespots".

The US State Department

also advised American citi-

zens to exercise caution.

/ Sidi Ahmed Ghozali, the

prime minister, has taken over political control, while Abdelmalek Benhabyles, the

head of Algeria's constitu-tional council, has become

head of state. He must now

organise presidential elec-

Mr Ghozali, who ordered

the deployment of troops, said on Saturday. "Algeria is

facing an unprecedented situ-

ation. But the government

will continue to fulfil its obli-

garions." He said he called

The defence ministry tried

to quell rumours of a military

an Commission officials on

his claim that British Airways

has been waging a "dirty

tricks" campaign against the

In an unpublicised meeting

with staff from the EC compe

tition commission, the law-

vers have claimed that BA has

abused its dominant position,

conducting a smear cam-

paign and employing unfair

practices in sales and

marketing. The move, the latest in an

its unfair competition rules.

independent airline.

tions within 45 days.

national security.

al bodies," it said.

Oued and Kouba.

round of polling this week.

ALGERIA was in political turmoil last night following the resignation of President Chadli Benjedid on Saturday. A state of emergency appeared imminent and the constitution was expected to be suspended.

President Chadii's resignation appeared to be intended to thwart the election of an Islamic fundamentalist government in polls due to take place on Thursday. With no head of state or parliament - the national assembly was dissolved a week ago - the authorities are likely to annul the electoral process.

The country's main religious party, the Islamic Sal-





The foreign banknote that comes free with this edition of The Times could form the start of an international collection

GLUM STRUM



violence. Paul Simon opened his South African tour with a concert attended by a small and mostly white Pages 9, 13

TIDE PRIDE



When Barbra Streisand stars in her own movie (The Prince of Tides is released next month), she makes sure she looks good. Geoff Brown on actordirectors . . . Page 12

Births, marriages, Letters... Obimaries.



From Alfred Hermida in algiers vation Front, denounced the President Chadli announresignation. "It was a fla-grant piece of theatre deced his resignation in a live broadcast on Algerian telesigned to throw the country vision. "I believe that the only into turmoil and tension, situation to the current crisis Abdelkader Hachani, the is for me to retire from the party's provisional leader. said yesterday. He insisted was resigning in the interests that the electoral process of national unity.

The president also made a must be continued. The front, which has pledged to turn Algeria into an Islamic funveiled reference to the elections. "The measures we have

taken to solve our problems have reached a limit beyond which it will be impossible to go without seriously prejudic-ing national unity," he said. "Before this imminent danger I believe that the initiatives taken do not guarantee peace and harmony among

Tanks and heavily armed troops were deployed on Sat-urday night, at key buildings in Algiers, the capital, includ-ing the main government of-fices and the television and The danger the president referred to was the success of the front in the first ballot. President Chadli had considered democracy as the answer to Algeria's social and economic problems, but neithe Although the capital re-mained calm yesterday, the Foreign Office advised Brithe nor the ruling National Liberation Front party ex-pected the fundamentalists to win such a convincing victory in the first-round elections. The party won 188 seats of the 231 seats contested.

> The prospect of a fundamentalist regime sent shock waves through the country. More than 150,000 people. who feared that the front would put an end to the country's first experience of democracy, staged a protest march through Algiers 11

The front's success also alarmed Algeria's neighbours, Morocco and Tunisia, which have banned their own fundamentalist movements. and the French government was particularly concerned that the creation of an Islamic state would lead to a new influx of refusees.

Marchand, the French interi or minister, said that the government had made contingency plans.

Virgin puts British Airways

'dirty tricks' file before EC

EC and found evidence of an

aggressive public relations

and marketing campaign ap-

parently designed to dent the

Branson image, including

tactics to dissuade both Brit-

ish and overseas passengers

from flying Virgin and at-

tempts to leak to newspapers

potentially damaging stories

about Mr Branson and his

Allegations of "dirty tricks"

have been made against BA

by its rivals in the past, not

coup and said that the army was acting on Mr Ghozali's orders. The army reiterates Arab relief, page 10 Diplomat takes over, page 10 Bernard Levin, page 14 Leading article, page 15 its loyalty to the constitution and the existing constitution-

LAWYERS acting for Richard Branson's Virgin Atlantic airline have briefed Europethe dossier submitted to the



Military might: a tank among normal civilian vehicles in the streets of Algiers after Saturday night's resignation of President Chadli

INSIDE Mirror bid

called off

Pearson, owner of the Financial Times, will tell the Stock Exchange this morning it is withdrawing from bidding for Mirror Group Newspapers "after careful consideration of the available information" on its financial affairs. MGN directors meet bankers today to secure operating funds until May Page 21

Bomb factory Police in Belfast made a

second major arms find in as many days yesterday when they uncovered 1,500lb of explosive in an west of the city...... Page 3

Top hat-trick

Lee Chapman of Leeds United scored a hat-trick in a 6-I win at Sheffield Wednesday to take his side back to the top of the First Division ladder..... Page 34

"Some companies in Eng-

land now seem prepared to

adopt US-style tactics, but for

an airline with a virtual mo-

nopoly to use them against a much smaller competitor is

disgraceful and surprising. We have got to shout 'foul'

before the damage is done."

BA dismisses the allega-

tions as "wholly without foun-

dation" and suggests that Mr

Branson is over-reacting, in a

difficult period for all airlines,

to unaccustomed criticism.

Brian Basham, a PR consul-

tant hired by BA, denied the

existence of any "dirty tricks

Cameras too candid at Tokyo banquet

Tories attack Ashdown as victory doubts grow

By Sheila Gunn, political correspondent

SIGNS of panic emerged among Conservative party strategists yesterday when the Liberal Democrats as the odds shortened on a hung parliament at the general

For the first time, senior Tories appeared to endorse the prospect that they could fail to win an overall majority. John Wakeham and Chris Patten warned Paddy Ashdown's supporters that they would be helping to elect a ing they switch their votes to

the Conservative party. Government sources also confirmed that informal discussions would be held with the nine Ulster Unionist MPs in the run-up to polling day to discuss their demands in the event of the Tories failing to win an overall majority. Meanwhile Mr Ashdown

raised the stakes for a postelection deal by saying that his price for taking part in a 'partnership parliament" did not rest only on a commitment to introducing a proportional representation voting system within live vears. An incoming prime minister would also need the



Ashdown: stakes are set

ment of his package of economic policies before gaining their support, he said on BBC Radio 4's The World This

"I wouldn't be prepared to take part in a government which gave us PR but which bankrupted Britain, so there are other policies in there that would provide a stable and successful government for Britain over four years." The latest NOP poll for

ITN and The Independent on Sunday gave Labour a servatives, which would be enough to secure Neil Kinnock an overall majority. Mr Ashdown said, however, that 37 of the 40 recent polls indicate that neither Labour nor Conservative would win outright. That would leave an incoming government dependent on support from minority parties, mainly the Liberal Democrats and the Ulster

Unionists. As the early skirmishes in the election campaign intensified yesterday Labour strategists were jubilant that Tory attacks on their tax policies had not been reflected in the opinion poll.

In the first of his pre-election rallies Neil Kinnock took as his theme the government's "paralysis" in the face of the recession. He said his party was committed to modernisation to build the foundations of future economic strength."But this government is not about problem solving." he added. "It's about problem dodging."

Criticising the govern-ment's privatisation plans Mr Kinnock said: "This is a government with the mentality of those shop squatters who hit the city centres before Christmas. Above all, they want to privatise British Rail. If it was ever allowed to happen, it would truly be a closing down sale. Of all the things British Rail needs, being parcelled

Pile-ups in fog shut motorway

BY DAVID YOUNG

POLICE are urging drivers to take extra care this morning to cope with icy roads and freezing fog after a bout of "motorway madness" closed a stretch of the Mô in Cheshire yesterday.

Twenty nose-to-tail accidents were reported on a 30mile stretch between junctions 16 and 22 before lunchtime. One person was seriously injured in the worst of the pile-ups, at Sandbach, and scores of others suffered

Fog shrouded much of central Scotland last night, af-fecting the M8 between Glasgow and Edinburgh, Strathclyde police said that Glas-Continued on page 20, col I

Forecast, page 20

The most important financial decision

up and sold off is the very

last." His deputy Roy

Hattersley said, at the same

rally, that Labour wanted to

end the age of the speculator

As MPs return to the Com-

mons today after the Christ-

mas recess, the main parties

will embark on their second

week of campaigning with

the Conservatives concentrat-

ing on attacking Labour on

defence and foreign affairs,

and Labour, in turn, holding

daily press conferences on un-

tax, privatisation and the im-

pact of the recession. In a

letter yesterday to his con-

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and the City slicker.

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campaign" and added: "I am extraordinary dispute between "the world's favourite least when the airline cut its happy for the EC to look at prices in an attempt to this and I am quite confident ground Laker's Skytrain. airline" and its most popular Mr Branson, who has com-British challenger, could lead plained to BA directors about to the EC taking action under higher than just PR the campaign, said yesterday: War in the skies, page 2

By Joanna Pitman in Tokyo and Our Foreign Staff

JAPAN'S leading television company, NHK, is in ever deeper, hotter water with the government after broadcasting last night previously unscreened film of President Bush's collapse at last Wed-

nesday's Tokyo banquet.
The most explicit footage of the president apparently collapsing and vomit-ing over Kiichi Miyazawa, the Japanese Prime Minister, was edited out of the NHK broadcast, as it was in the version shown on Saturday night by the American ABC network. Daphne Polatty, a spokeswoman for ABC News in New York, said a few seconds were deleted

because the footage was too graphic. But journalists have seen the com-plete tape, and The Washington Post gave a full description of it on Saturday. The longer version records the events immediately before the television images broadcast all over the world last Wednesday showing a prostrate Mr Bush, surrounded by aides, getting to his feet with a pinched smile to assure

the other guests that he was all right. The new material, which shows the president apparently fainting, begins with a shot of Mr Bush, chatting with Mr Miyazawa and Mrs Bush at the dinner table. As Mr Miyazawa turns to talk to Mrs Bush, Mr Bush suddenly closes his eyes, sways dizzily and his head flops down onto his chest. A state of mild hysteria erupts as Mrs

and a secret service agent vaults over the dinner table, and eases Mr Bush onto the floor. NHK TV, which had two cameras set up in the banquet hall that evening, had permission to film only the toasts and the speeches. When the cameramen were ordered to leave the room after the

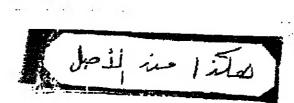
toasts, one defied the ban and left his

Bush leaps from her chair with a napkin

camera running, locked into a shot of the top table where Mr and Mrs Bush and Mr Miyazawa were beginning their

The Japanese government, which is accustomed to exerting strong control over all Japanese reporting, is painfully aware of the damage that NHK's candid camera has caused to their eminent guest. NHK denies having recorded tape of the first dramatic 30 seconds of Mr Bush's illness, claiming that its camera was merely transmitting images to a monitor and that nobody pressed the button to record the tape until 30 seconds into the event. Some foreign tele-vision producers in Tokyo believe that either NHK is being disingenuous, or that one of its foreign television partners, which were also receiving the images on their own monitors, must have recorded the film.

Bush tackles jobs, page 10



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The Times investigates a dirty war in the skies

BA accused of underhand campaign

BRITISH Airways now stands accused at the European Commission of using dubious tactics to dissuade pas-sengers from flying Virgin Atlantic, and of underhand public relations methods in a "dirty tricks" campaign against the airline, run by Richard Branson.

Enquiries by The Times have discovered that some of the allegations presented by Virgin to the EC appear well founded. The BA sales force regarded Virgin as "public enemy number one" and, in the view of a former employee, delayed onward bookings in Britain and Europe for Virgin Atlantic passengers. The tactics used by a public

relations consultant hired by BA included spreading rumours about a London nightclub owned by Mr Branson and that a top executive had deserted his airline because it

was "appallingly run". The activities exemplify the unacceptable face of public relations. On opposing sides in the BA/Virgin dispute are David Burnside, who heads a BA public relations team of several dozen, and Will Whitehorn, who leads a team of two for Virgin. Both are equally convinced that some journalists, including Harvey Elliott, The Times air correspondent, are in the other's camp. Mr Whitehorn has hinted that Mr Elliott is a soft touch for planted BA stories, while only last week Mr Burnside told Mr Elliott: "You are becoming a real irritation and we will have to do some-thing about it."

This paranoia, understandable considering the fragile state of the aviation industry. is shared by their respective chairmen. Mr Branson has accused BA of "dirty tricks. sharp practice in sales and marketing and lack of cooperation in safety-related engineering matters". Lord King, BA's chairman, dismisses the allegations as wholly without foundation. He and his colleagues have been infuriated, however, by Civil Aviation Authority decisions to award Virgin a share of the London-Tokyo route and to allow it to use Heathrow airport for some flights.

Evidence gathered by The Times shows that Virgin became BA's "public enemy number one" even before the CAA decisions. Many people we interviewed have insisted on anonymity because they still work in the aviation industry and have business connections with BA.

They include one former

end of 1990 he was told by his manager that plans were being laid to undermine the Branson image. In a personal letter to Mr Branson, he said that he was aware that BA staff then began an aggressive campaign to woo poten-tial Virgin passengers in the Gatwick catchment area and also tried to prevent Virgin from getting favourable take-

The informant says the tac-tics were abandoned after Virgin lodged a draft complaint with the EC a year ago and that he and other staff were instructed to destroy all documents targeting Virgin.

Last autumn, the activity

against Virgin took a new turn and Brian Basham, a public relations consultant hired by Mr Burnside, began to take a significant role. Mr Basham set about leaking to selected journalists a document that he claimed was a "private and confidential" report on Virgin and a letter from Mr Branson to his staff. The report, which was unsourced, mixed fact and rumour and suggested that Virgin had financial weak-nesses and that Mr Branson had some dubious advisers and interests. The letter to staff proved less depressing than Mr Basham had hinted. although in it Mr Branson admitted that initial forecasts for the next 12 months had given "cause for concern". The dossier handed to EC

officials last week mentions The Times in connection with allegations about Mr Basham circulating damaging information. It says: "On October 25, 1991, a journalist from The Times called Virgin Atlantic to say that he had heard that a letter was being circulated to staff about redundancy programmes". Mr Elliott says that he made the call after being told of the letter by a director of another independent airline. In other documents, Virgin accepts that the subsequent Times article was accurate.

"credulous" iournalists led him at the same time to Chris Hurchins, a Today columnist. Mr Basham told Mr Hutchins that Heaven, the nightclub owned by Mr Branson in London's West End, was sure to be raided for drugs soon, and that it was a scandal that Mr Branson should be awarded lucrative air routes ahead of BA, because he ran "a dicky business".

Mr Basham's search for

Mr Basham then introduced the subject of Mike Batt, a BA executive who had employee who said that at the been wooed by Virgin but had



King dismissed the



of "dirty tricks"



Basham: attempted to plant story in Today



Burnside: irritated by Times correspondent

walked out after only a few days. He left, according to Mr Basham, because "the business is appallingly run and the debt is dangerous". Mr Basham's tactics failed. however, because Mr Hutchins reported the approach to his editor and Mr Branson and not a line appeared.

Mr Basham yesterday dismissed the allegations against him as absolute nonsense. He said that, in handing over Mr Branson's letter and in his conversation with Mr Hutchins, he was merely responding to requests from journalists. He neither confirmed nor denied preparing the "private and confidential" Virgin report. which he described as fair and accurate. "There is no dirty tricks campaign of any kind against Mr Branson."

Tony Cocklin, BA's public affairs manager, said of Mr Basham: "He works for us when we need him, mainly on the City and financial side. But he is out there in the market place all the time and people will talk to him." He said that BA welcomed com-

of gossip and rumour BRITISH Airways has admitted using "dirty tricks" in the past to defeat another Telling tales about competitors is not confined to airlines. Tony Dawe reports on independent airline that chalthe widespread use of such tactics lenged its supremacy on North Atlantic routes, and

Tails of the unexpected: the two airlines locked in an acrimonious dispute

Laker was early victim

to their rivals, so that BOAC was known as Better On A Camel and TWA as Try Walking Across. In more fiercely competitive times, the gossip has been more aggressive and widespread.

Similar tactics have abounded in the City, particularly during recent take-over battles. Exploring the personal lives and family backgrounds of the key players became common currency for public relations consultants advising Lonrho and the Al-Fayeds in the fight for control of Harrods, and Guinness

and Argyll in their struggle for Distillers. It reached its height during Lord Hanson's rumoured attempt to take over ICI last year. When Lord Hanson's tax avoidance schemes and his company's investment in the racehorses of his colleague, Lord White of Hull, featured in national newspapers, he wrote to Sir Tim Bell, his chief public relations adviser, saying that he should have "dispelled all this garbage in advance" and done a better job of "spreading the Hanson gospel in the media". Sir Tim was working for Lord Hanson with Roddy Dewe and Brian Basham, two other

leading PR consultants. Dick Fedorcio, newly elect-ed president of the Institute of Public Relations, told The Times: "Lord Hanson was expecting his PR to guarantee stories in the media which were beyond his control

What appears in the newspa-pers is influenced more by the journalist than the PR." The institute deplores some of the recent public relations tactics and has the power to discipline any of its 4,000 members found guilty of "foul play", but since fewer than a third of all practising PR people and press officers belong to the institute, those powers are limited.

About 12,000 public relations men and women are at work in Britain, promoting myriad clients, companies and projects. A nother further 4,000 work in support roles or as information officers. Many are employed direct-

ly by businesses, local and national government and organisations such as charlties, while others work for highly paid public relations consultancies or just on their own. The Institute of Public' Relations claims a membership of 4.000 and operates a code of conduct.

Tax cuts threatened by slow growth

BY ANATOLE KALETSKY AND SHELLA GUNN

SHARP cutback in the Treasury's forecast for economic growth this year could nomic growth this year could turn out to be a key factor limiting the scope for pre-election tax reductions in the forthcoming budget, Treasury ministers were told at their traditional at Chevening meeting at Chevening over the weekend.

Despite conflicting reports about the decisions allegedly reached at Chevening, the main conclusion at the meeting was to keep as many options open as possible until the economic, financial and political currency constraints become clearer in the weeks

According to government sources, nothing was either ruled in or ruled out at the meeting, although a tentative preference was expressed for using the available leeway to raise tax thresholds, rather than cut the standard rate of

However, it was agreed that the over-riding priority would be to preserve confidence in sterling and that this might prevent Norman Lamont, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, from allowing too much of an overshoot in the public sector borrowing

With the Treasury likely to revise its forecast for GDP growth this year to about 1.5 per cent from the 2.25 per cent predicted in November's autumn statement, the PSBR for 1992-3 is certain to be substantially higher than the autumn statement projection of about £19 billion.

According to the Treasury's economic model a half per-cent shortfall in GDP growth could add about £2 billion to the PSBR in a full year. But officials have issued a warning that the financial markets might not take kindly to the prespect of a much higher PSBR and that a giveaway budget could trigger a ster-

Among the detailed tax is-sues discussed at Chevening was John Major's preoccupation with inheritance tax. Mr Major has told Mr Lamont and other Cabinet colleagues he wants a commitment to phasing out inheritance tax servatives' economic policy in the election manifesto.

Treasury officials are working on the implications for phasing out or cutting the 40 per cent tax paid at present on legacies of more than £140,000. The tax brings in

El.25 billion a year. No decision was reached at Chevening on whether to start the initiative in this March's budget. But the prime minister is understood to regard the abolition of the tax as marking an important contrast between his personal political philosophy and that of Labour, which wants to increase the tax.

Neil Kinnock accused Mr Lamont last night of preparing a "save our skins" budget for the Tories instead of a "save our country" budget. At a rally in York the Labour leader said that a lp cut in income tax would take away £1.9 billion from health and other vital services and do nothing to start the economic

Girl, 10, found dead in park

A girl aged ten was found dead yesterday in undergrowth at a country park in Swindon, Wiltshire Police believe the body is that of a gid who went missing from her home in Swindon on Saturday (Adam Fresco

writes).
Last night detectives were questioning a man, aged 32, from Swindon.

The schoolgirl was last seen at the Crumpled Horn public house in the town wearing a pink shell suit with a pink and white striped sweatshirt. Her disappearance was reported only yesterday. The area around the Coate

Water country park, where the body was found, was the body was found, was sealed off yesterday as police searched for clues. A post-mortem examination was being carried out last night.

A police spokesman said yesterday: "The cause of death is not yet known but we

are treating it as suspicious and our enquiries are following the line that the report of the missing girl and the discovery of the body are

Bareev seals chess victory

WITH one round left, Evgeny Bareev, the Russian grandmaster, has already secured first prize and £4,000 in the Foreign & Colonial chess tournament at Hastings (Raymond Keene writes).

In Saturday's 13th round, Bareev faced his closest rival, Simen Agdestein, the Nor-wegian grandmaster. Bareev gave him no chances and took an unbeatable ! 2 point lead. Shirov beat Adams. Suetin drew with Speciman. Hodgson lost to Chandler.

£2,000 golf ball A golf ball with an estimated value of £2,000 to £4,000 comes under the hammer later this week. The previous-ly unrecorded type of ball, made around 1850 from

gutta percha, an early form of rubber, was discovered amongst an Edinburgh col-lection. It is to be sold at the bi-annual golf saie held at Phillips in Chesser.

Hunt decision Geoff Brookes, a member of the Quorn hunt committee for 23 years, has resigned in protest at the dismissal of Captain Fred Barker, the former hunt master. The decision, he said, was "disloyal" and a sad loss to the Quom. Rad Thomas, the former spokesman of the hunt, which is facing allega-tions of cruelty to foxes, said yesterday that he was review-

Boy returned

ing his position.

Police were questioning a man and a woman last night after a three-year-old boy who went missing from his home at Denham, Buckinghamshire, early yesterday morning was found at a nearby flat. John Smith, who let himself out of his house while his mother, Lynne Smith, was sleeping, was returned home by police. He had been missing for more than eight

Do clever children get educated while the rest get trained?



In this Friday's colour UPDATE, The TES looks at government efforts to raise the status of vocational education and training



THE TIMES EDUCATIONAL SUPPLEMENT

Crufts attracts 55,000

has been accused of spread-

ing damaging rumours about Air Europe long before its

Sir Freddie Laker was the

first thorn in BA's side, with

his cut-price Skytrain service

to the United States. BA and

other international airlines

cut fares to undermine him

and used various anti-compe-

titive measures to try to force

him out of business. BA sub-

sequently agreed to pay £10

million to the creditors' fund

In 1989, according to for-

mer senior executives of Air

Europe. BA was responsible

for misleading stories that the

independent airline chaired

by Harry Goodman was un-

able to pay its bills and was

about to make staff redun-

dant when it was, in fact, at

the height of its success. In a

memorandum to Richard

Branson, the Air Europe ex-

ecutives drew parallels be-

tween the tactics used against

them and Virgin Atlantic,

and said that several rumours

about Air Europe's finances

were traced to BA. The airline

industry has always been awash with gossip. In the 1950s, some of it was good-natured, with airline staff at-

tributing absurd nicknames

to avoid legal proceedings.

collapse last year.

CRUFTS dog show ended yesterday after attracting 55,000 visitors to the 55,000 visitors to the Birmingham National Exhibition Centre for the four days of showing. Two breeds of dog were seen at the show for the first time: Polish Lowland Sheepdogs and the Japanese Shiva Imu.

Results. Assiralian terrier: Ch NZ Ch Lester Friat Tuck of Manawatu (Messrs Hayles & Nicholis Winchester. Hamis, Lakeband terrier: Minerstown Majestic if Kelkett. Knottingley. W Yorks Morwich terrier: Ch Cobby's Timothy Gyp (R Spore-Willer, Rustly, Warks) Sealyham: Ch Davmar Bo Diddley (D Winsley, Ringwood, Hants, Basenjit Taernwads) in Adoram for Woodelta [I Rabbite, Ealing, W London). Bloodhound: Ch Sheriock Carling (D Dison, Torbirdge, Kenn Gerphound: Ch Roya! Portrali (H Chapman, Wadebridge, Cornwall). Minabitater wher haired dachshaud. Foxeam Pusifier of Draksteau (Z Thorn-Andrews, Kennpsey, Worts, Wirshald, Foxeam Pusifier of Draksteau (Z Thorn-Andrews, Kennpsey, Worts, Wirshald Consean Pusifier of Draksteau (Z Thorn-Andrews, Kennpsey, Worts, Wirshald Consean Pusifier Should be the Cooking of the Co

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Unionists list

post-poll terms

By EDWARD GORMAN, IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

second major arms find in as many days when they uncovered an IRA bomb factory yesterday in a house in the west of the city. Two men were being questioned last

Acting on a tip from an informer inside the IRA or on intelligence information: gathered by the security forces, police searched a house at Islandbawn Street off the Falls Road, and uncovered about 1,500lb of homemade explosive and other

The explosive, a mixture of commercial fertilizer and additives, was discovered in the

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Isles agreement in which Northern Ireland's place in-

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Other items on the party's

POLICE in Belfast made a kitchen of the small terraced before we saw it come on the house inside more than 12. plastic sacks. Police also found grinders used to refine the ingredients to the required consistency for

> Police believe the discovery has foiled a planned attack on Belfast city centre early next week. Chief Inspector Billy Lowry said: "Here we have the complete components for a 1,500lb bomb, or four or five smaller bombs which would still have wrought death and destruction in the centre of Belfast. They cer-tainly were in the process of making this up and it would have been early next week

Mr Lowry promised that the operations to "thwart the IRA" would continue. "It's nice to have some success." He refused to say how the find had been made, putting

it down to good police work. The latest discovery follows the finding on Saturday of 80 IRA bombs, including 50 blast incendiary devices, and guns and ammunition at a house in another part of West Belfast. This led to two

for the IRA which caused serious damage in the centre of the city early last week with two large van bombs. Since then there have been extra police and army patrols, and checkpoints have been set up to try to prevent further attacks.

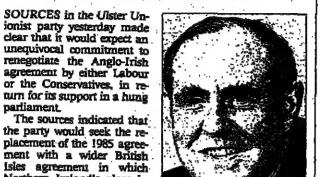
However, the provisionals are known to have almost unlimited stocks of weapons and explosives; in time the will replenish their arsenals in Belfast from stores in the border areas and inside the Irish

The search and seizure operations to find an unknown number of IRA weapons dumps in Belfast will contin-ue indefinitely. They were stepped up following a crisis ummit meeting between Sir Hugh Annesley, chief consta-ble of the RUC, Lieutenant General Sir John Wilsey, and their senior officers last Wednesday night. They met amid growing public concern about their apparent inability to halt the IRA bombing campaign in Belfast. On Sunday and Monday last week two huge bombs caused an estimated £7 million

Other measures being taken by the security forces involve increased around the clock patrolling and a roadblock stranglehold on all

routes into the city centre. Hundreds of part-time sol-diers in the Ulster Defence Regiment remain on full-time duty in Belfast after a call-out three days ago and extra police have been redeployed into the city from other

The RUC announced last night that a man is due to appear in Belfast magistrates court today charged in con-nection with the 500lb IRA van bomb which wrecked a large area around Belfast's Three other men have already appeared in court charged with same offence.



Brooke: his remarks

sounded integrationist nine MPs, began at the last party conference in the autumn when Douglas Hurd, the foreign sectretary, and Peter Brooke, the Northern Ireland secretary, made unexpectedly integrationist sounding remarks.

More recently Jonathan Caine, formerly head of the Northern Ireland section in the Conservative research department and a committed integrationist, has begun work as Mr Brooke's special adviser. Mr Caine is now spending his time shutting between Belfast and London and, according to one unionist, "his remit is supposed to be to rebuild relationships with the unionists because the Tories feel they need us".

Last night there were signs

were continuing and the that uncertainty caused by question of a hung parliatempts by Mr Brooke to re-start inter-party talks in the The so-called Conservative charm offensive with the Unionist party, which has



Army of toy soldiers expected to fetch £70,000

AN army of 6,200 toy soldiers, complete with cavalry, ceremonial ele-phants and maharajahs, goes on parade at Phillips auctioneers in London on January 21, when it is expected to fetch up to £70,000. One of three model displays it is a service of three model displays, it is a replica

of a spectacular military pageant mounted in Delhi in 1911, when King George V received Indian

The others depict the square, the British fighting formation employed on such fields as Waterloo, and, by way of contrast, Prince Charles's wedding at St Paul's Cathedral in

1981. Like many similar collections, it began on the nursery floor. George Palmer, aged 72, a retired Lloyd's underwriter who now lives on the Isle of Wight, said: "When I was a small boy long before the war my parents bought me some lead soldiers. When I grew up they kindly preserved the collection. I went abroad as a proper

soldier then, and they put them in store. When my sons were the right age I got them out and we started collecting as a family, so it goes back a long way. It's a wrench to part with it all, but it's a question of space as much as anything else," said Mr Palmer, who spent almost 20 years putting the collection together.

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Man sought over killing of lawyer

By Louise Hidalgo

THE parents of Margery Hopegood, the English law-yer who was found stabled to death in a public lavatory in northern New Zealand, received personal assurances from the Wellington government yesterday that every-thing would be done to find

The family attended a special service for Miss Hopegood, their adopted daughter, at their parish church in Earls Coine, Essex, yesterday. Her body was discovered on Friday, face down in a lavatory cubicle in Hamilton. She had been stabbed in the face and shoulders.

A man was reported to have been seen talking to her shortly before her death, and later washing himself in the river. Police said that nothing had been stolen from her handbag, found near the body. and there were no signs of sexual assault.

Nazi papers were gift to historian

BY NICHOLAS WATT

DAVID Irving, the historian who claims to have discovered the memoirs of the Nazi war criminal Adolf Eichmann, said yesterday that he stumbled across them by chance during a lecture tour of South America. A former Flemish SS officer handed him the memoirs as a gift after he learnt of Mr Irving's visit from an Argentinian

Mr Irving, who denies the existence of the Nazi gas chambers, said: "Jewish groups, who objected to my presence, denounced me in La Nación as an international agitator. At my next meeting in Buenos Aires an elderly gentleman approached me with two brown paper bags

containing the memoirs.
"I followed all the correct historical procedures and made him sign an authenrification statement. After Eichmann was kidnapped in 1960 in Buenos Aires his



Irving: stumbled on memoirs during tour

family placed the memoirs in secure hands. That person handed them to my contact." The most interesting part of the memoirs, Mr Irving

said, were these chilling words from late 1941. "Heydrich (Eichmann's superiori said to me: 'I have come from the Reichsführer [Himmler]. Now the Führer has ordered the physical destruction of the Jews'." Mr Irving said: "That shows that Eichmann believed there was an order from Hitler, though it still does not prove there was one.

Eichmann's family did not want Mr Irving to see the memoirs because Eichmann admits total guilt for sending Jews to their death. In the light of this Mr Irving said his view that Hitler did not give the order will be "open to assessment". Mr Irving says that the memoirs are "very disorganised." He is using them, however, to write a biography of Eichmann. "I see him as a desiccated bureaucrat. He was an efficient transport officer rather

than a mass murderer." Martin Gilbert, author of The Holocaust: the Jewish Tragedy, said yesterday: "For many years Mr Irving has denied these facts about the holocaust and now he makes a virtue of finding them."

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this morning contains a free 25-gulden note from Surinam to help readers, and readers of The Sunday Times Magazine, to start a collection of banknotes, a hobby which is rapidly increasing in popularity.

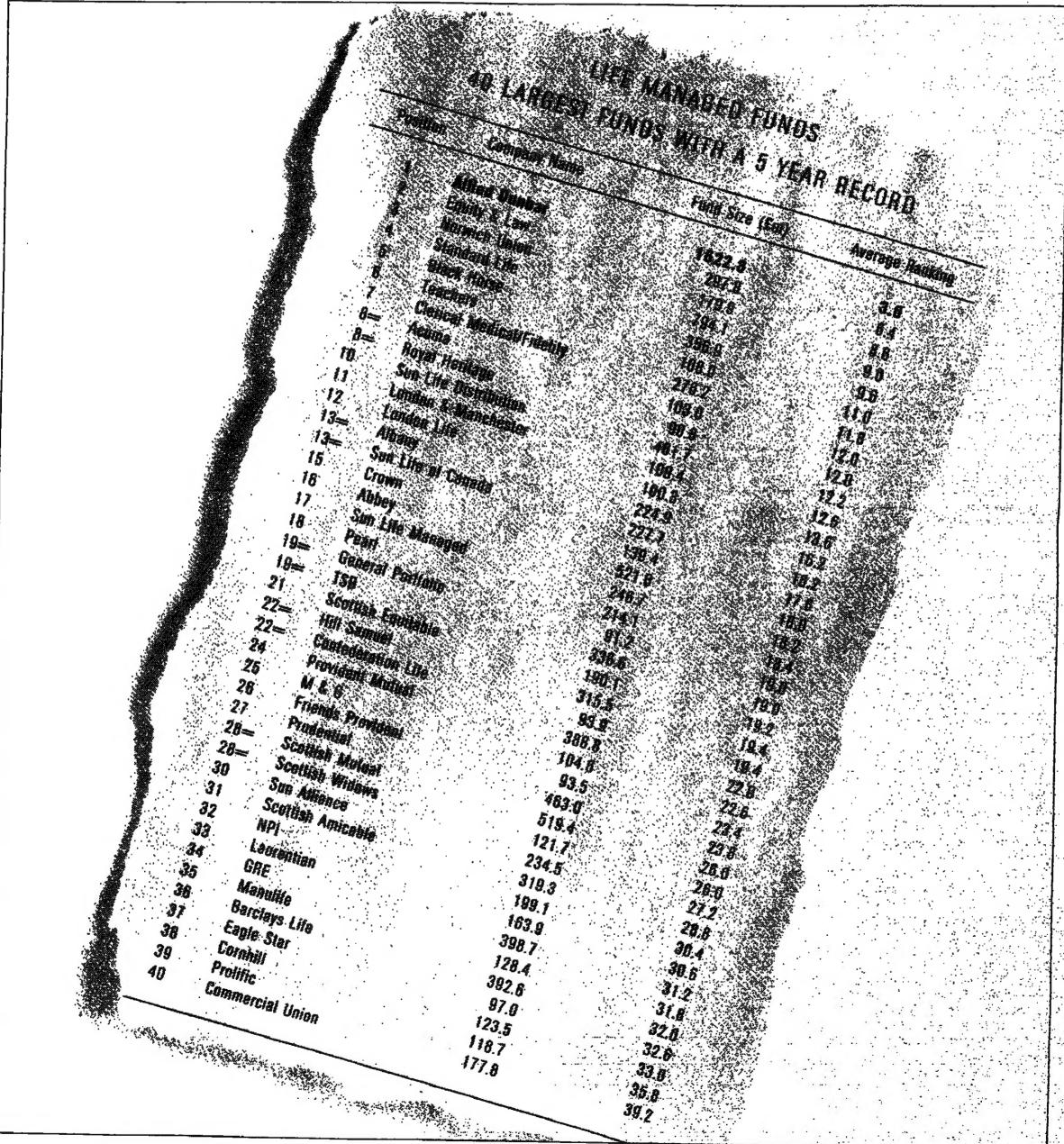
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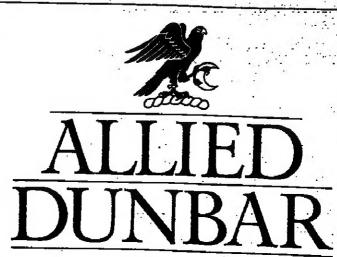
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Experts call for 20mph urban limit

By Kevin Eason, motoring correspondent

CUTTING urban speed limits could save as many as four lives a day, according to traffic experts urging the government to introduce measures

to slow traffic on busy roads. The government is facing demands for limits on urban roads to be cut from 30mph to 20mph as part of a strategy to reduce Britain's annual toll of 5,000 road deaths.

The Parliamentary Advisory Council for Transport Safety will today call for legis-lation to reduce speed limits. The demand is supported by traffic experts whose studies highlight simple measures. such as road humps and redeslow traffic and lead to a big drop in accidents

Tim Pharaoh, a lecturer at South Bank Polytechnic, London, who has been involved in pilot schemes for Devon county council, claims that Britain's average of 13 deaths a day could be cut by four by widespread use of

traffic "calming" measures. Forty of the 130 people seriously injured daily could escape unharmed if speeds were sharply reduced. Tests show that pedestrians injuries rise substantially as speed increases. At 20mph, the chance of survival is high. At 30mph half of pedestrians hit by a car are killed, and at 40mph most are killed.

Speed cuts would not delay drivers, Mr Pharaoh said, because journeys would take less time, with average speeds higher and traffic moving more smoothly.

Mr Pharaoh's theory has been tested in Burnthouse. Lane, Exeter, Devon, where the number of accidents has subsequently fallen. The quarter-mile street, which has shops, churches, a village hail and two schools, is almost straight and many drivers broke the 30mph limit, some reaching speeds of 55mph.

between parked vehicles. were hit by speeding cars and cyclists were also at risk.

The county council spent £220,000 installing speed humps in the street, at its junctions and in side roads. The 40ft-wide road was narrowed to about 18ft and parking bays were provided. reducing the distance that pedestrians had to cross.

Two cycle tracks, marked by a distinctive red surface, were provided and junctions were offset, forcing drivers to slow down and to concentrate

Edward Chornon, county engineer, said that the scheme led to accidents declining from nine a year to four. Among children aged under 11, accidents had fallen from three to none. He added: "Accidents that did occur were less serious because we have been able to produce a very large decrease in traffic speeds." Top speeds are down to between 29mph and 33mph, and to 14mph at each road hump. Malcolm Rifkind, the

transport secretary, has given councils wider powers to in-troduce traffic-calming measures, increasing grams for safety schemes by 38 per cent to £42 million for 1992-93. He said that local schemes had the potential to save 170 lives and prevent 2,200 serious injuries a year.

Mr Pharaoh estimates that a national strategy of building work, including road humps, chicanes, narrowing roads and landscaping. would cost £600 million a year for 10 years. That would be equivalent to 40 per cent of the projected national trunk road budget. However, he said that such traffic calming could reduce the cost of deaths, bereavement, suffering, injury and damage, valued at £2 billion a year.



Exotic encounter: Kate Ashbrook, general secretary of the Open conservation group, comes face to

face with a beast more at home in the Andes than in the Chilterns (Michael McCarthy writes). Ms Ashbrook, Britain's premier cam-

paigner for countryside rights of way, came across the llama yesterday while investigating claims that a public footpath had been

improperly diverted near Henley. Buckinghamshire. She has at least found no obstacle to her in-

clusion in this year's Who's Who.

Gene therapy to go ahead

By NICK NUTTALL TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

NEW treatments for inherited diseases such as cancer and cystic fibrosis will be approved by the government

The decision to sanction socalled somatic gene therapy, a technique which replaces defective or missing genes. has been made by the health department's committee on the ethics of gene therapy. The committee, chaired by

Sir Cecil Clothier, former chairman of the police complaints authority, is under-stood to have decided that gene therapy, the mapping and and manipulation o man's genetic codes, is ethically no different from ad-

ministering drugs or carrying out an organ transplant. The approval, to be announced on Thursday, could

bring the possibility of treat-ing about 4,000 inherited diseases. Gene therapy might also lead to new treatments for some of the most common causes of illness and death including heart disease. The Medical Research

Council is planning several

gene therapy experiments. leams, including one at St Mary's hospital, west London, working on cystic fibrosis, are ready to start. been extremely encouraging. Amy Harper aged four, of

In America results have

Cleveland, Ohio, is the first person to have gene therapy. She suffers from a rare inherited immune-deficiency disease that made her so susceptible to passing infections that she could not leave her home.

A copy of the gene missing from her body, which controls production of a diseasefighting enzyme, was put into around one billion of her white blood cells.

The white blood cells were then put back in her bloodstream and have begun producing significant amounts of the important enzyme. Army now goes skating and dancing and attends nursery

Fawlty hotel fails to curry favour

AN undercover hotel inspector found himself at the centre of a Fawlty Towersstyle farce when he ordered dinner at a country hotel and then found that staff had ordered an Indian takeaway. Olaf White had visited the

14-bed hotel in the north of England incognito to test its services for inclusion in Signpost, the British hotel guide, when staff recommended that he try one of their "special" curries for dinner.

But as he was walking into the dining room he bumped into one of the waiters racing in with his curry — in a tin foil container from a local Indian

takeaway. Christopher Carney-Smith, publisher of Signpost, said: "We were considering including the hotel, which will remain nameless, in our guide for the first time. Olaf checked up and found that the kitchen was closed and there was no one available to cook the dinner

Signpost has been published annually since 1935 and has up to 325 entries from the Ritz to tiny country

so they had sent out for a

takeaway. The curry was

quite tasty, and I suppose the

hotel has to get marks for

Priest gives warning on **Opus Dei** founder

BY RUTH GLEDHILL RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

THE greatest challenge yet to what could be the most contentious canonisation this century has been launched by leading members of the Roman Catholic church in

this country and abroad. Vladimir Felzmann, a se nior priest in the Westminster diocese in London, has given a warning of a scandal and divisions in the church if plans to beatify the founder of Opus Dei, a cult-like international group inside the Roman Catholic Church, are

followed by his canonisation. Father Felzmann, Cardinal Basil Hume's director of pilgrimages and chaplain to oung people, has criticised the speed and timing of the beatification, which is the second step on the road to sainthood. He has accused the founder of Opus Dei of defending Hiller and given an account of his "pro-Hitler

and Germany views Josemaria Escriva de Balaguer, who was born in 1902, founded Opus Dei in 1928 and died in 1975, was declared venerable by the Pope in 1990. This is the first step to sainthood, and he is to be beatified, or declared "blessed", on May 17. Critics say the process could lead to the fastest canonisation in

recent history.
Criticisms of the beatification have been aired in the influential Catholic journal The Tablet. According to today's Newsweek magazine, several former members were refused a hearing at church tribunals called to investigate the founder's life.

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Father Felzmann, a member of Opus Dei for 22 years, left the organisation in 1982. A spokesman for Opus Dei said Father Felzmann's auquaintance with Mgr Escrivá had been "relatively superficial" and that his statements about support for Hitler were "completely false, as well as quite outrageous".

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Pollution watchdog hits firms harder

COMPANIES causing environmental damage are much more likely to be prosecuted in future by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Pollution, an internal inspectorate document seen by The Times dis-

Prosecution is being forcefully recommended as a policy option in the document, a 2-page set of guidelines which has been sent by David Slater, the inspectorate's director, to all his 143 inspectors in England and Wales.

That marks a formal break with the tradition of the inspeciorate's predecessor before 1987, the Industrial Air Pollution Inspectorate, which rarely took errant companies to court, preferring to work by consultation and persuasion. Some of the older HMIP inspectors still feel that prosecuting a company represents

a failure of their work.

Dr Slater, who took over the inspectorate of pollution last May, has other ideas, and his guidelines set out the benefits of prosecution in straightforward language. These are: publicly embar-rassing a polluting firm into remedying its ways, inflicting a financial penalty on it for the harm it has done; as a means of publicly demon-strating the inspectorate's policy and anitude; and as a ten prosecutions of compameans of reflecting public

The document emphasises that in any case which is felt serious enough, inspectors should apply for trial in the crown court, where penalties are higher, rather than before magistrates. If the trial is in a magistrates' court, the document says, the bench - "who may not be aware" - should be reminded that the 1990 Environment Protection Act allows them to impose fines of

Dr Slater is already practising what he preaches. In the first tour years of the inspec-

Slater: his guidelines

THE cabinet minister responsible for implementing the government's controversial shake-up of the public house trade has agreed to take up the cases of 30 publicans in his own constituency who feel that they are victims

of the changes. Under rules in the Beer Orders, introduced after the Monopolies and Mergers Commission report on brewing, the trade and industry department has told brewers to limit the tied houses they own to 2,000. Big brewers have had to dispose of many public houses to sitting ten-ants, smaller brewers and companies that run pub chains but have no brewing

However, there is growing concern among ministers that some brewers are using the legislation, and a requirement to bring pub tenancies under the Tenant and Landlord Act, as an excuse to force existing tenants to take on prices and with unfair con-

Peter Lilley, the trade and industry secretary, has been asked by licensees in his St up their cases and is understood to be angry at the way some brewers are interpret

Mr Lilley has already won a victory by pressing the big brewers to accept binding independent arbitration in a dispute with the National Licensed Victuallers Association (NLVA) over rent increases and notices to quit served on pub tenants. He has also rejected calls from some brewers to extend the deadline by which they must

nies for pollution offences: in the eight months since he took over there have already been five, and nine more cases are in the pipeline. One of his first official acts was to sanction the prosecution of the Atomic Energy Authority for the unauthorised discharge of radioactive tritium

gas from scrapped luminous

watch dials: the authority was

fined £3,000. Ten days ago,

the owners of a stone quarry

in the Corswolds were fined

operating without a registra-

After that case Dr Slater

said: "A serious view is taken

of industrialists who know-

ingly operate potentially pol-

luting plants without comply-

ing with the poliution control

legislation. The inspectorate

is committed to ensuring a

safe and clean environment and legislation will be rigor-

Dr Slater, aged 51, a pro-

fessional chemist and char-

tered engineer, was chosen

from outside the civil service

to head the inspectorate by

Michael Heseltine, the envi-

ronment secretary. His tough

approach is in part a reflec-

tion of the new pollution regime brought in by the 1990 Environment Protection Act, which will mean strict new licences for the 5,000 most

poliuting plants, such as oil

refineries, tanneries, steel

plants and chemical works, to

be phased in over the next

four years. Inspectorate

sources say that companies who fail to apply for their new licences are likely to be ready

targets for prosecution.

Dr Slater gave a warning to

British industry of the rigor-

ous regime he intended to run

in an interview with The

Times after taking up his position. Last May he said:

We are conscious of prac-

ticalities, and we can be flexi-

ble, but at the end of the day

the name of the game is

ously enforced."

up to £20,000 for pollution £100 with £2,100 costs for

torate's life there were only



Lilley to aid pubs hit by shake-up

free a number of tied houses. Whitbread and Allied-Lyons had sought deferment of the November 1 deadline.

A detailed file on complaints from publicans in Mr Lilley's constituency is being prepared for him and he is prepared to call informal talks with the brewers to discuss the issue

Mr Lilley has also been given information by Camra, the beer drinkers group, which has its national headquarters in his constituency, on how some brewers are using the rules to change the character of traditional pubs by putting them under the control of subsidiary leisure divisions.

Richard Jacobsen, chairman of the St Albans Licensed Victuallers' Association, said: "I don't think Mr Lilley realised that so many noticies to quit were being issued to pub tenants. The notices to quit expire in July. so that tenants will not, by then, have the protection of the Landlord and Tenant Act. The only alternative for many

are long leases at high rents." The Office of Fair Trading has also voiced concern that brewers, especially Grand Metropolitan, are still using the Beer Orders as a reason for changing tenancy

The NLVA's operations executive, Neville Marshall. said: "The brewers are using every excuse in the book to introduce these leases. There is no reason flowing from the Beer Orders why leases have to be introduced at all."

A spokesman for Grand Metropolitan said that the company was satisfied that its

Osborne's anger is obscured by smoke

By Joe Joseph

WELL, that's one less thing for John Osborne to rai against. In an uncharacteristically mild letter to The Times today, in which he mostly confines his spleen to a "God not the powers of Brussels and Westminster - and to hell with Burgundy", the playright says he is not alone in furning against EC bureaucrats who would rob him of untipped, robust and fragrant Turkish smokes, "one of life's few and reliable pleasures".

Mr Osborne, who likes to get mad about three new things before breakfast and preferably to get even by lunch-time, aired his outrage over this new European "diktat" in a volcanic letter to The Times on December 26. What seemed to anger him

particularly was that this ban on his favourite cigarettes was imposed by a bunch of "newly-sprung nation states", like Germany, Italy. France, Spain and Portugal which have been administered by regimes that were Nazi, fascist, communist, crypto-fascist for several decades lifetime...these successful

and happily empowered heirs of Hitler, Mussolini, Himmler, Franco, Honecker, Salazar, Pétain, Laval and the Greek colonels are to be enjoined to deprive me of the liberty and choice, even in the matter of what cigarettes I may be allowed to smoke." He seems to have found

some comfort, he now writes. in the piles of sympathetic letters he has received from around the world in response to his battle cry. Also on the doormat were parcels of the soon-to-be-outlawed Turkish cigarettes from well-wishers. and promises of more. He says he probably now has enough to see him out of this world. If heaven is a No Smoking Zone, watch out.

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Legal system goes on trial

HOW well do judges and lawyers do their job in court? Should they wear wigs and gowns? And should the de-fendant's criminal record be made known to the jury? The performance of judges, bar-risters and solicitors will be under formal scrutiny for the first time this week when ju-rors in crown court trials throughout England and Wales are asked these and other questions about the es of the criminal justice system.

Jurors will have to rate how the judge and barristers did their jobs - "very well, fairly well, not very well or not at all well" — in terms of knowing the facts, putting the case across and dealing with their opponents' points. The judge will be asked to give an opinion on the jury's verdict and whether his or her own summing up was pointed to-wards acquittal, conviction

or neither. The survey, conducted for the Royal Commission on Criminal Justice, is part of the biggest study of the crown court in action. It begins with a one-week pilot project in Snaresbrook, east London, Kingston upon

A study of crown courts will ask jurors and defendants to rate the performances of judges and lawyers. Frances Gibb reports

Thames and Reading crown courts. That will be followed by a full study covering all 90 crown court centres in England and Wales for two weeks in February.

Professor Michael Zander, who devised the study, said: ambitious project of its kind. either here or probably anywhere in the world." Defen-



to commission's work

dants will be asked how often their first meeting with their barristers is on the morning of trial, and how often barristers return their brief at the last moment. They will be asked about plea-bargaining and whether the discount undue pressure to plead guilty. The survey will also ask if they have any complaints about treatment by

the police. The survey, which has the full backing of the Lord Chancellor and Lord Chief Justice, includes nine different questionnaires, to go also to the police and court clerks. as well as to lawyers. Lord Runciman of Dox-

ford, chairman of the royal commission, said: "We regard the study as very important for our work. We urge all concerned to fill out the questionnaires. The results will be significant in provid-ing a solid factual base for many of the topics within our terms of reference."

Black pupils beat whites in tests

By DAVID TYTLER, EDUCATION EDITOR

BLACK pupils, traditionally seen as under-achievers compared with their white classmates, scored higher grades than white pupils in the mathematics and science test sat by seven-year-olds last summer, according to research commissioned by the overnment's

In mathematics, 10 per cent of Afro-Caribbean sevenvear-olds attained level three in the national curriculum mathematics tests compared with 6 per cent of white pupils. Nineteen per cent achieved level three in science, against 18 per cent of white children.

advisers.

Black pupils' results in English, however, were disappointing, say the researchers from Leeds University who examined the results of 2,400 children in 16 education authorities. The survey has yet to be considered by the School Examinations and Assessment Council, which commissioned it. Diane

Shorrocks, project director, said the survey also showed that fewer pupils from ethnic minorities gained the top grade in English. There was

also a disproportionately high number in the lowest levels of English and mathematics. Ms Shorrocks said the most likely explanation for

the discrepancy was that English was not spoken in many of the children's homes. ☐ A £10.000 pupils' "clocking on" scheme has saved £20,000 in teacher time and improved attendances, according to David Caswell, headmaster of St George's Roman Catholic School for boys. Swaythling, Southampton.

Six hundred pupils use electronic cards to clock on for lessons. The system, introduced last September, has replaced registers. Parents are contacted when the computer shows that a pupil is absent without permission. Letters, page 15

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Fire kills brothers aged two and four

Two brothers died in a fire at their home in Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, yesterday. Thomas Cunningham, aged four, and Gary, aged two, were carried from the burning house by firemen but were dead on arrival at hospital.

Their mother Sharon, aged 25. and baby Lucy, were rescued by Melvyn Mycock, aged 32. a neighbour who saw smoke coming from the house. He said: "I ran to the back door and tried to kick it down but couldn't so I velied at the bedroom window to wake up Sharon. She passed the baby onto the bathroom

Police say that the cause of the fire is uncertain but foul play has been ruled out. The children's father. Carl, was at

Search for murder knife

Council workmen were helping police to search drains for a hunting knife used to stab to death Richard Lyddon, a male nurse aged 36, in a toilet at Reading railway station on Friday night.

Police were also conducting house-to-house enquiries in a search for witnesses to the unprovoked attack on Mr Lyddon, who was returning home to Taunton, Somerset, after a successful job interview at Upton Park Hospital in Slough, Berkshire.

Dame dies

Dame Anne Godwin, chairman of the TUC from 1961-2. has died aged 94. Dame Anne, of Worcester Park, Surrey, was general secretary of the Clerical and Administrative Workers' Union from 1956-62, and served as a BBC governor from 1962-8.

Child robbers

A woman aged 90 from Newcastle upon Tyne is in hospital suffering from shock after leaving her door open for a meals on wheels delivery and being pushed to the floor and robbed of £37 by two children, one aged seven.

Film encore

Nellie Templeman, aged 76, a silent film pianist, came out of retirement to accompany a three-hour screening of D.W. Griffith's classic 1915 film The Birth of a Nation at the Regent Cinema in Lyme Regis, Dorset.

Animal magic

Pets including dogs, cats. hamsters and birds are being George Eliot Hospital at Nuneaton, Warwickshire, to cheer up their sick owners.

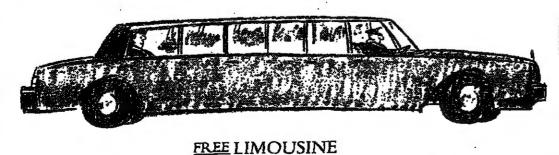
Brief history

The Horsforth Museum. Leeds, West Yorkshire, is appealing for donations for an exhibition of underwear through the ages, which it plans to mount in March.

Bond winners

This week's Premium Bond winners £100,000, number 10XB 957653, from Wirral £735 hold-ingt: £50,000, 3SS 240895, £100,000, number TOXB Hampshire (£106): £25,000, 9DL 884092, Edinburgh (£2,000).

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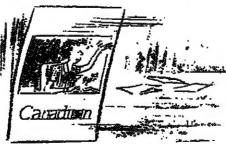


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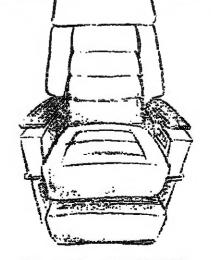
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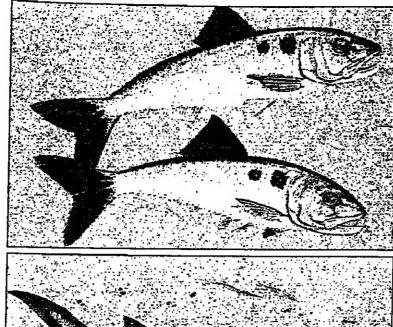
Lifeline Wanted to save rare fish

BY MICHAEL HORNSBY AGRICULTURE CORRESPONDENT

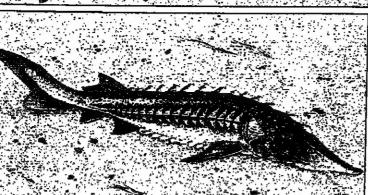
ALMOST a quarter of the native freshwater fish species in Britain are extinct. close to extinction or seri-ously endangered, according to a new report. Their plight is blamed mainly on over-fishing air and water pollution and the growing number of dams and weirs blocking the passage of fish that run up rivers to spawn.

Urgent action is needed to protect fish habitats in rivers, lakes and estuaries and to establish new populations of rare species, according to Peter Maitland, a freshwa-ter biologist, who has made a five-year study of native fish stocks for the Nature Conservancy Council (NCC), the government's chief wildlife advisory agency.

Britain is, or has been, home to 42 native species of freshwater fish. Of these, Mr Maitland says, 10 require special conservation measures if they are to survive in, or be restored to, British waters: the burbot, the houting.



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Under threat: the allis shad (Solway Firth) and burbot (eastern England), top, and the sturgeon (estuaries) and arctic charr (Lake District)

the vendace, the allis shad, the twaite shad, the powan, the pollan, the smelt, the arctic charr and the common sturgeon. No burbot have been seen for years; the sturgeon is rare; the allis shad

charr, though more common, are in decline.

The most immediate priorities, Mr Maitland believes, are to safeguard rare and localised species by creating new populations, and

to protect and clean up habitats such as estuaries. English Nature, the newly formed England section of the NCC, is sympathetic to the idea. The vendace is likely to become the first fish to join the list of rare plants.

insects and other creatures covered by the species recovery programme launched last spring with a £100,000 budget that is due to be doubled from next April.

Only four fish - the bur-

allis shad — are on Schedule V of the 1981 Wildlife and Countryside Act, which makes it an offence to catch or handle them intentionally. Legal protection came too late (the burbot was already extinct) to be of much use.

First appearance for Georgia Jagger

Rolling Stone Mick Jagger become a father for the fifth time yesterday when his Texan wife Jerry Hall gave birth an wife Jerry Hall gave birth to a daughter, Georgia May Ayeesha, in a London hospi-tal. Their other children are, Elizabeth, aged 7, and James, aged 6. Jagger also has daughters, Jade, from his first wife Bianca Jagger, and Karis, by Marsha Hunt

Freed hostage Tom Sutker-land made an emotional return to his family kirk, at Skinflats near Falkirk, yesterday and thanked the congregation for their prayers. On Saturday he was welcomed by 40,000 fans when he watched Glasgow Rangers' beat Hilbs at Ibrox where he once played in the reserves.

David Lange , the former New Zealand prime minister, married for the second time during a holiday in Scotland, according to a newspaper. His bride was Margaret Pope, his speech writer.

Richard Dreyfuss, aged 44, backed out of the opportunity of a lifetime - playing Bacwine cup in a pre-Mardi Gras parade — when he landed a part in a Broadway play, Death and the Maiden

pelhi ?

Nichelle Nichols, Lieutenam Uhura of Star Trek got her star installed on the Hollywood Walk of Fame and gave credit to Martin Luther King Jr. for persuading her to keep the job. Miss Nichols, aged 55, said King told her: "You have the first non-stereotype

cal job in television."



Kate O'Mara, aged 52, star of Howards Way, has been named in a divorce petition against a husband 19 years her junior. Mrs June Willis, mother of two, alleges that her actor husband Richard has committed adultery with Ms O'Mara.

Workers wary at taking their offices home

BY NICK NUTTALL TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

THE predicted explosion in teleworking, or telecommut-ing, in which employees use the telephone and computers to work from home, has been significantly over-estimated, according to a new study.

By 1995, the number of people working from home will rise by about 5 per cent to about 1.3 million, a report by the OTR Group, of London, says. "This is considerably below the 30 per cent annual growth rates predicted by

some observers," it says.
The report argues that few

No call for love or money

London: Love and money are the biggest taboo sub-jects for British telephone users, a survey commissioned by British Telecom has revealed. Usually confident British callers come to a halt when conversation swings to matters of the heart or of the wallet.

Most unwanted calls, apart from the bank manager (17 per cent), were when the boss rings us at home (14 per cent) or an ex-parmer calls (10 per

Good read

Dhaka: Dhaka's seventh English-language daily made its appearance yesterday bringing the number of newspapers pub-lished each day in the Bangladeshi capital to 54. There are 253 weeklies.

Class triads

Hong Kong: Police have charged seven teenagers. who claimed links to triad societies, for extorting 45p a week each from classmates.(AFP)

Army scandal Tokyo: Michio Watanabe,

the foreign minister, has acknowledged the Japanese military's role in forcing women to serve soldiers as prostitutes dur-ing World War II. There were 200,000 "comfort women" serving Japanese troops. (AFP)

Gay fugitive

Toronto: An Argentine homosexual who feared persecution because of his sexual orientation has been given asylum. (AFP) Phlegmatic

New Orleans: Bill Travers hopes to auction his collection of spittoons for £55,000 in order to make way for his new hobby collecting steam train whistles. (AP)

Fans revenge Lancaster: Peter Marshall, an author who called Elvis Presley a sham, was beaten up in a shopping centre by the star's fans after a book people have the qualities, which include self-discipline and organisational skills, to be successful telecommuters.

Furthermore, disadvantages of teleworking so far outweigh advantages that it is unattractive to large sections of the population, the report says. Surveys show that few people relish the idea of working at home, deprived of the social interaction of the office. In addition, people work-ing at home can feel neglect-

ed, suffer falling self-esteem and miss out on potential career moves, the report says. Middle managers remain highly conservative in attiand, particula larger companies, worry that staff outside the office are too

The forces driving companies to adopt telecommut-ing are also "suprisingly weak", the report says.

difficult to supervise.

Arguments for teleworking include cutting the cost of office space, reducing recruitment costs by keeping staff, such as women who have a baby, and environmental gains from, for example, fewer people driving to work. Drawbacks include the cost of necessary technology and greater management effort.

The report suggests that only certain jobs, such as word-processing, insurance broking, telesales, writing and accountancy, are really suitable for teleworking.

Pregnancy tax angers **Australians**

FROM ROBERT COCKBURN

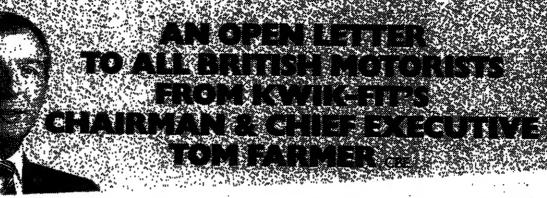
ILL-conceived is hardly the word. A government anti-recession scheme to tax Australian women during preg-nancy was delivered to howls of protest from women's group and church leaders at the weekend.

Even in this land of chauvinists - where an attempt at enlightenment last week saw a men's magazine splashing a pregnant woman naked under the headline "Banged up and beautiful" - the new tax proposal was widely

Nonetheless, it is under consideration this week by the government of the new Labor prime minister, Paul Keating - himself a devoted father of four. Mr Keating is facing claims that his government is reinforcing just about every myth about Australian men and their overbearing

Outraged womens groups. church leaders and many Labor politicians have condemned the proposal drawn up for Mr Keating's deputy prime minister, Brian Howe.

Anglican bishop Bruce Wilson said the tax was "an attack on women". "Australia has a very low birth rate as it is. To raise funds by discriminating against pregnant women is unjust." he said.





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Delhi gambles on early Punjab poll

By Christopher Thomas in delhi and Our Foreign Staff

DELI-II has authorised early parliamentary and state assembly elections in Punjab in a gamble to end the 12-year secessionist war there that last year alone cost 6.000

The move will test the gov-ernment's belief that terrorists fighting for an indepen-dent Punjab are on the run and have lost what little popular support they ever enjoyed. The army has been deployed in strength to try to prevent a

The government has promised the poll will be held by the middle of next month, but police chiefs in the state have asked for a delay to allow them more time to round up known militants.

The Indian government is determined to end years of direct rule over a state that has the reputation of being one of the most violent places in the world. Despite the war. Punjab remains the breadbasket of India and one of its most economically powerful

Terrorist groups oppose the elections on the grounds that they will legitimise Punjab as part of India. The government abandoned attempts to

include Punjab in the general election last June because of increased violence in which more than 30 state assembly candidates were shot dead. Polls were again postponed last September. This time the government appears determined to go ahead.

Two of the three largest

factions of the Akalis, the traditional Sikh party, have announced a boycott of the election and the third is likely to do likewise. There are seven factions in all. Other militant organisations, despite opposing the elections, will put forward their own candidates under independent labels. Voters will undoubtedly face death threats if they support anyone else.

Punjab is 57 per cent Sikh and 43 per cent Hindu. The Akalis traditionally capture the Sikh vote and the Congress (i) has always taken the bulk of the Hindu vote. This time it will face competition from the Bharatiya Janata Party, the Hindu nationalist

rganisation. The planned elections come at a time when terrorist organisations have taken a severe beating in Punjab, al-though they continue to wield

substantial power. The government recently brought back K.P.S. Gill, a hardline police chief, to fight the militants. He was accused of brutality during his last tenure. At the same time the army is handing out food and medicines in a "hearts and minds" campaign to try to win over the population.

The poll will lose much of its meaning if none of the main Akali groups take part. The seven factions have all been warned by terrorist organisations that anybody standing for election faces assassination, S.B. Chavan, the home minister, has announced that the army will remain in the state in strength for some time after The Press Trust of India

reported yesterday that Indi-an security forces had killed Manjit Singh, a leading Sikh militant who has been sought for more than 100 killings related to the Sikh separatist drive in Punjab. Manjit Singh carried the designation of "lieutenant-general" in the Bhindranwale Tigers Force of Khalistan, one of several groups fighting for a Sikh homeland.

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Cold comfort: a group of 15 men, aged 14 to 85, praying and cradling blocks of ice during the 37th annual ice-bathing event at a Tokyo shrine yesterday. The ceremony is believed to bring long life and good health

Cuban court sentences armed exiles to death

FROM REUTER

A CUBAN court, meting out 'revolutionary justice", has sentenced three Cuban exiles from the United States to death by firing squad for planning terrorist attacks on the communist-ruled island.

Saturday sentenced Eduardo Diaz Betancourt, aged 38. Daniel Candelario Santovenia, aged 36, and Pedro de la Caridad Alvárez Pedroso. aged 26. all from Miami, Florida, after finding them guilty on charges of terror-

ism, sabotage and enemy pro-

paganda. The three accused were captured with arms and explosives on December 29, shortly after landing on Cuba's northern coast. They have the right of appeal to the ruling council of state, headed by President Castro.

In a statement announcing their capture, the interior

ministry said last week that the men had planned attacks on Cuba. On Friday, Washington denied Cuban allegations of involvement in the three-man sabotage mission. A spokesman said the three were not American citizens but may have been legal residents in the United States.

Chinese promote condoms

Peking: China, home of 1 world's largest organish birth control campaign. seeking to make more "! people use the condom and taking them off the pill.

In an article entitled "He". comes the condom", the official China Daily said yesterday that the governmeni. which is the main supplier of contraceptives, will order 961 million condoms in 1992, 11 per cent more than last year. Liu Chun Mei, the director

of the contraceptive division at the family planning com-mission, said China's birth control industry would have to obey the laws of market economics. She said: "The industry will have to renovate

Workers at one cotton spin-ning mill in Peking were upset because they were only issued ten condoms per month, the paper said. The state will buy only 40 million birth control pills, a decline of 53.5 per cent from 1991, and orders for diaphragms and spermicidal creams will drop.

China, the world's most populous nation with 1.1 bil-lion people, vigorously pro-motes a one-child-per-family

The China Daily reported that, until now, Chinese women have mainly used tubal ligation and intra-uterine devices for contraception while men preferred vasectomy. (Reuter)

'Coup' charges

Nairobi: Josephat Karanja, the former Kenyan vice-president, and Matu Wamze, a former MP, have been charged with spreading un-founded, malicious rumours of a military coup. Kenya radio reported. (Reuter)

Ferry deaths

Shimonoseki: Five people died in hospital and four bodies were recovered from the sea after a ferry capsized in rough seas off southwestern Japan. The ferry, designed to carry 24 people. had at least 32 on board. (AP)

Chile to pay up

Washington: Chile is to pay £1.4 million compensation to the families of Orlando Letelier, the former Chilean envoy. and an aide, killed in a 1976 car bombing here by agents of General Augusto Pir. chet's military junta. (AFP)

Ban on guns

Manila: The Philippines imposed a five-month gun ban to try to avert bloodshed during the run-up to the general election on May 11. Politicians also have been barred from keeping private armies. (Reuter)

Rwanda protest Nairobi: An opposition pro-test against the government brought Butare, Rwanda's second city, to a standstill, according to Rwanda radio, monitored here. The peaceful protest called for a national conference. (Reuter)

Police cave in

Harare: Zimbabwean police returned passports of a Brit-ish-South African potholing team, arrested as unlawful miners while attempting a re-cord descent below the Chimanimani mountains. Police had not heard of potholing.

Simon songs fail to attract blacks

FROM RAY KENNEDY IN JOHANNESBURG

BLACK radical groups who have vowed to disrupt the South African tour of Paul Simon, the American singer-composer, claimed victory after a meagre, virtually all-white audience turned up for the opening concert. Only about 40,000 people, fewer than 1,000 of them black, attended Saturday night's performance, which organisers had said would draw more than 70,000.

Because of threats of violence by the Azanian Youth Organisation, until last week the virtually unknown youth wing of the almost equally obscure Azanian People's Organisation, police ordered that attendance at the Ellis Park rugby sta-dium in central Johannesburg, built to accommodate more than 70,000 spectators, should be cut.

The audience gave Simon a tumultuous welcome when he appeared on the vast specially built stage. He dedicated the first of the five concerts he is to give in South Africa to Headman Sabalala, a member of the Black Mambaz group, who

last month. Harvey Goldsmith, the London-based international pop-concert promoter, said angrily that, far from

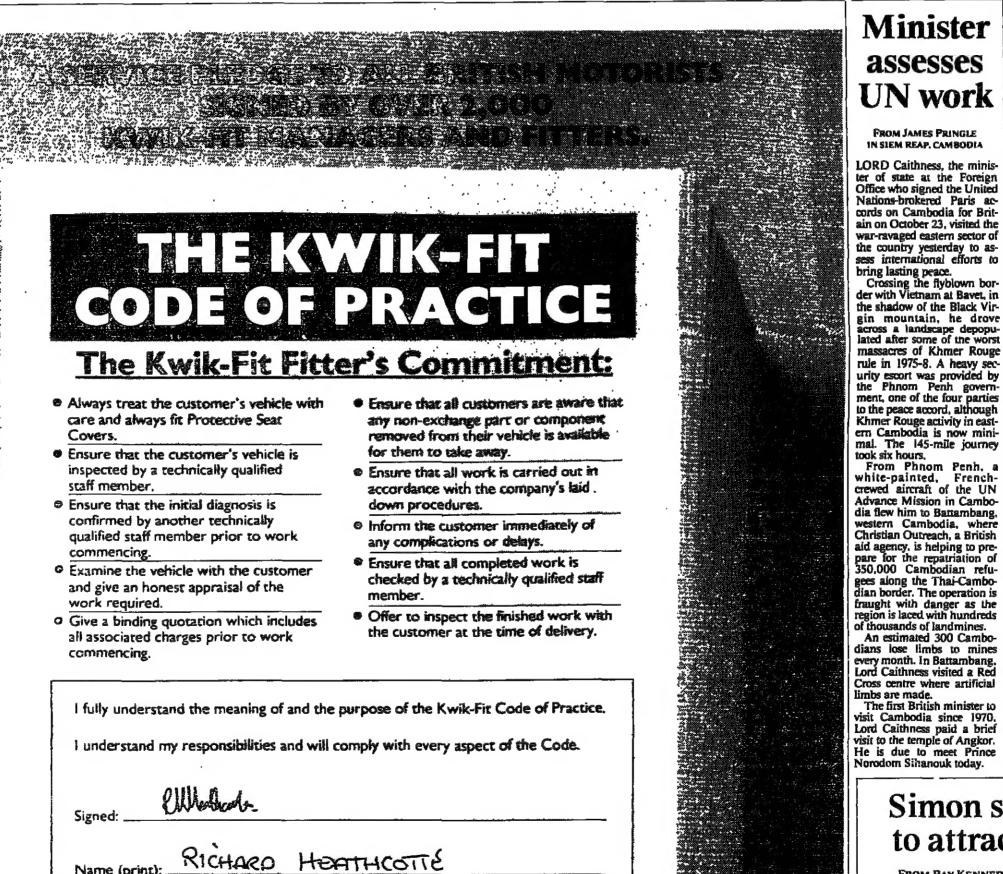
was murdered near Durban

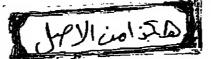
being an event marking the end of the cultural boycon of South Africa. Simon's tour might be the last by an international star. He accused the media of scaring people away by their reporting of the threats of violence. Unused tickets for Saturday night's concert were made valid for Simon's second concert last night.

Reports yesterday said most blacks seemed to have ignored the personal endorsement of the tour by Nelson Mandela, the president of the African National Congress, at a cocktail party he gave for the American singer on Friday night. Mr Mandela urged blacks to attend in thousands.

But the City Press newspaper said that many blacks could not afford the tickets. priced between 40 and 80 rands (£40-£80).

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OVERSEAS NEWS

Chadli resignation offers relief to Arab neighbours



Chadli: his action poses new dangers

THE dramatic resignation of Chadli Bendjedid, the Algerian president, will ease the fears of officials in governments around the Mediterranean afraid of an imminent Islamic electoral victory.

But North Africa watchers believe the coup de théatre will only delay the inevitable extinction of President Chadli's ruling National Liberation Front as a credible political force. The second round of the general elec-tions, scheduled for Thursday, now almost certainly will not take place, at least until after presidential polls are held, probably at the end of next month or in March.

Diplomatic sources said senior officers in the army had been preparing the ground for the departure of President Chadli, and the dissolution of the National Assembly, ever since the Muslim fundamenThe Algiers constitutional coup will only delay the final fall from power of the ruling party, discredited among the country's youth, John Phillips writes

talist Islamic Salvation Front won a huge victory in the first round of the parliamentary elections on December 26.

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The fundamentalists had made no secret of their intention to abolish the material privileges enjoyed by army officers if, as expected, they won the second round and formed a government dedicated to setting up an Islamic state. If the fundamentalists obtained a two-thirds majority in the National Assembly they would also have been in a position to amend Algeria's pluralist constitution.

The ruling National Liberation Front, which had obtained only 16 seats in the first round compared with 188 for the Islamic front, had sought to regain some lost ground by accusing the fundamentalists of electoral malpractices. However, the allegation lacked conviction.

The December 26 vote was

widely regarded as the freest ever seen in the Arab world. Observers from all political parties, as well as foreign diplomats, were given free access to polling stations. There was little apparent evidence of intereference during balloting even in fundamentalist strongholds in Algiers,

democratic experiment was worrying to the governments of Algeria's neighbours, Tunisia and Morocco, where fundamentalist movements have been suppressed. In Tunis, the government yesterday indicated tacit support for the

The political manoeuvre was also greeted with relief yesterday in France where officials fear an exodus from its former colony if an Islamic state came into being there. Roland Dumas, the French foreign minister, issued a carefully crafted statement in which he described President Chadli's resignation as "an important event heavy with

constitutional coup.

He said France reaffirmed its solidarity with the Algerian people but made no mention of the democratic process. This omission was

interpreted by political experts in Paris as a sign that France was not overly eager to see the second ballot go ahead in Algeria

But the wary international approval will not be sufficient to bolster the ruling party. If Algerian army commanders are to maintain their grip on power they will have to flex the military muscle.

The ruling party has been discredited among Algerian youths after the army suppressed anti-austerity riots in Algiers and other cities in 1988, which left at least 159 people dead. The support of the young is crucial for any political group since about 75 per cent of the population is under 30 years old.

Nepotism and corruption in government is widely blamed for the parious state of the economy. Unemploy-ment among youths leaving

national service is as high as

For the young, the democratic process offered the only glimmer of hope for a way out of the economic abyss. Political commentators agree that many votes for the Islamic front were undoubtedly cast in anger against the ruling party rather than in direct support for an Islamic state.

Despite misgivings about the fundamentalists, the feeling on the streets of Algiers is that the democratic process should be allowed to proceed. with the door left open to vote out the fundamentalists if their rule proved unpalatable.

So far the reaction of the fundamentalist leadership to the latest political manoeuvre is unclear. The Algerian press predicts that militant Muslims could react violently, especially if they feel that they were robbed of power.

Iraq to

mark its

'victory'

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER

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IRAO is planning elaborate

celebrations to mark this

week's anniversary of the out-

break of the Gulf war, which

is being portrayed as a victory

over "tyrannical aggression". Defiant Iraqi officials say

that the accent of the celebra-

tions will be glory. They cite the poor condition of the

American economy, the

forthcoming US election and

President Bush's collapse in

Japan to back their claim that

President Saddam Hussein

At 2.30am on January 17,

"We have nothing to be

even for a moment, that we

emerged triumphant from

the war." Events are planned

on 42 days, reflecting the length of last year's hostilities.

will outlast him as leader.



Abdelmalek Benhabyles: new interim leader

Shamir

limit on

peace

talks

From RICHARD BEESTON

IN JERUSALEM

YITZHAK Shamir, the Israe-

li prime minister, told cabines

colleagues yesterday, the eve

of the resumption of Middle

Diplomat takes over in Algiers

FROM ALFRED HERMIDA IN ALGIERS

PRESIDENT Chadli Benjedid's resignation comes at a volatile time for Algeria. The country is in the middle of its first free general election and faces the prospect of an Islamic fundamentalist government. Mr Chadii's departure leaves the country without a head of state and without a parliament; the national assembly was dissolved a week

The responsibilities of the head of state have been taken over by Algeria's highest judicial body, the constitutional council, led by Abdelmalek Benhabyles. As president of the council he was nominated by Mr Chadli.

Archer angers Kurdish leaders

FROM ANDREW FINKEL IN SALAHUDDIN

JEFFREY Archer left the Kurdish areas of Iraq for home at the weekend determined to promote the Kurdish cause and apparently untroubled by the surreal impression he made during his ightning tour of the area.

One minute he was giving peremptory orders to baffled Kurdish commanders, the next confusing one Kurdish Kurds called him, variously. Mr Archie, Sir Archer and Sir Gifrey. He was mobbed everywhere he went, and Kurdish audiences listened enthusiastically to his promises to exert influence on the British prime minister and the secretary-general of the United Nations to have Baghdad's economic blockade

The fact is, however, that Kurdish leaders remain sceptical that the West has any Barzani, leader of the Kurdistan Democratic Party, said at his headquarters at Salahuddin: "They could force open the blockade any time they want."

Mr Archer's Simple Truth appeal helped raise £57 mil-lion, much of which has not reached its intended recipients. At a reception given for him in Salahuddin, however Mr Archer sidestepped the question of where the money had gone, declaring that his Kurds the \$1.7 billion (£940) million) they were entitled to under UN resolutions on the

Dr Mahmoud Osman, leader of the Kurdistan socialist party, disapproved strongly of the lavish Kurdish hospitality laid on for Mr

Mr Archer appears to have left a series of exasperated leaders in his wake. "He pulled the hair of the head of the Kurdistan Front in Irbil - in our country this is not considered a joke," one member of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan said.

But the people loved him. In Sulaymaniyah, Kurdish banners greeted "Sir Gifrey". In response, Mr Archer went even further in demanding Kurdish independence than do the Kurds own leaders. Mr Barzani, for example, is concerned not to portray Kurdish demands

A career diplomat, Mr Benhabyles is widely respected and regarded as independent. It will be his task to organise presidential elections which are supposed to be held within the next 45

The political vacuum caused by Mr Chadli's retirement has been filled by the interim prime minister. Sid Ahmed Ghozali, who has taken control and ordered the army on to the streets after the president's resignation. Mr Ghozali was brought in by President Chadli last June, following bloody clashes on the streets of Algiers between the security forces and Islam-

The riots led to the resignation of the ruling FLN and the appointment of an interim government, whose main task was to organise the genlongs to the FLN, Mr Ghozali was considered to be beyond party politics. And one of the conditions of his appoint ment was that he would not stand in the election.

But his appointment caused rancour among some ranks of the FLN. Mr Ghozali's predecessor, Mouloud Hamrouche, was annoyed at being ousted from power. In the electoral campaign Mr Hamrouche emerged as the main FLN leader and he now has his eyes on the presidency.

He is seen as part of the old guard of the party, while Mr Ghozali is considered to belong to the progressive wing of the FLN. Since June, Mr Ghozali has abandoned the socialist doctrine of the FLN and overseen the imposition of an austerity programme dictated by the International Monetary Fund.

Attention is also focused on General Larbi Belkeir, the interior minister, who was appointed by Mr Chadli in November to ensure that the elections went ahead smoothresponsible for the actions of

President Chadli is widely credited as the architect of Algeria's multiparty system. He was a late convert to democracy. He thought he a stable multiparty system. Instead Algeria's democratic experiment appears to be floundering and Mr Chadli has jumped ship.

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Stating their case: Three of the 12 Palestinians Israel wants to deport under military guard at Israel's high court yesterday. The court accepted their appeal against an earlier ruling by a military court and their deportation hearings will now be open to the public-

Bush homes in on work

The White House has worked fast to justify last week's Tokyo fiasco to its all-important constituency of Washington pundits, political consultants and pollsters. The "Jobs-R-Us" tour, aides say, began the most important presidential task of the year that of rectifying the per-ception that George Bush cares only for foreign policy and not for American jobs.

There are plenty of Americans who would love the opportunity to chuckup on a Japanese prime minister's pant-leg," said one Republican adviser, only partly in jest. The only poll that matters, he added. is the one next November. by which time Mr Bush will be fully established as a "domestic president" and Kiichi Miyazawa's trousers will be remembered only by his dry-cleaners.

> It is a good try. And it may turn out to reflect the political reality better than the insults that met the president's party when it arrived back at Andrews Air Force base on Friday. Without further evidence of medical weakness, it seems unlikely that a flu attack will dominate the political year. If White House aides

As America is losing interest in foreign affairs, George Bush is desperate to prove that he is a domestic president, with jobs on his mind, Peter Stothard writes from Washington

needed a lesson on the decaying powers of time, they need only join the American media this week. Television viewers are looking back 12 months to when the Gulf war coalition defeated President Saddam Hussein, made America feel good about itself and made nine out of ten voters feel good about Mr Bush.

This week, as the pundits revisit the political triumph that Desert Storm brought the president back home. only five out of ten Americans think that the president is doing a good job. That is not because Saddam is still at large, but because too many Americans do not have a job.

President Bush is still admired for his war leadership. The war will still be an election issue and it will benefit the White House. But Mr Bush is now being blamed for unemployment. When the president is never liked his conduct of foreign affairs can more freely criticise him without

being considered unpatri-

otic, or even worse, politi-

cally unfashionable. That is what is happen-ing this week, and linked to the Tokyo failures, it is creating a sense of presidential weakness which is as illusory as his previous 90 per cent poll strength. The Middle East peace talks are now seen as stalled. The fact that without Desert Storm they would not be taking place at all is temporarily forgotten.

Mikhail Gorbachov is now gone from power. Mr Bush's long encouragement of the former Soviet leader is now an object of derision.

The outcome of events in the former Soviet Union is mostly what America wanted. Would it have been better sooner if Mr Bush had led a freedom crusade around Soviet Central Asia six months ago? Possibly. More likely, not. The dangers of excessive

beeded. By next November, Mr Bush may seem more prophet than appeaser.

The Middle East position is less clear — with a high price likely to be paid for

excessive White House pressure on Israel. Mr Bush seems determined, however, to put foreign policy first. He is a pragmatist with a mostly down-toearth perception of how little he can do to create the new world order of which he once liked to speak. The Guif war, like a grand wed-ding party, produced tem-porarily exaggerated expectations. The fizz has now gone out of foreign affairs; it is good for the president that flat reality has set in now rather than later. It is the adjustment that is

most damaging politically, not the reality itself. President Bush is still the moment last year when the first cruise missiles and bombs crashed on to Baghmost likely to be re-elected dad, groups of painters will begin "mother of all battles" in nine months' time by persuading voters that he can boost jobs at home and murals. Baath party militants will chant anti-US slogans stability abroad. It is dreary and poets will recite martial truth but no less true for that. If anyone is to defeat disappointed sorry about," Saddam told triumphalism and dirty tribal leaders as plans were trouser legs can only be the start of their campaign. finalised. "I never doubted.

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East peace talks in Washington, that he expects his delegation to return home by Wednesday or Thursday at

The move, reported by Israel Radio, appeared to confirm any substantive progress can be expected from the Washgates have been waitin in the US capital for a week because of the delayed arrival of the four Arab teams -Syria, Lebanon and the joint

Palestinian-Jordanian delegation - who postponed their trip because of Israel's threatened deportation of 12 Palestinians from the occupied territories. "In our talks with the Arabs last time in Washington we agreed to resume contacts on January 7." arr official in the

They chose not to arrive on time. We have always made it clear that we intended to leave by about January 15, and I expect that is what we will do." The apparently inflexible Israeli position - given that

its team kept Arab delegates waiting a week at last month's talks - may be partly due to the increasingly unstable state of Mr Shamir's coalition In spice of the prospects of

having only three or four days of meetings in the US State Department building, the Israeli negotiators and their Palestinian counterparts appeared confident at the week end that nagging procedural problems, which have so far restricted contacts to "corridor diplomacy", will this time be quickly overcome.

.However, once the two sides are ready to discuss issues of substance, such as israel's autonomy plan for Palestinians in the occupied territories and Palestinian demands for an independent Palestinian state, Mr Shamir can expect to run into problems at home from Tehiya and Moledet, the two tiny ultra-nationalist parties in his coalition government whose five Knesset members hold the balance of power in parliament.

David Levy, the foreign minister, predicted yesterday that Israel would establish full diplomatic relations with China later this month when he makes a five-day official visit to Peking.

Hal, herald of superchips with everything

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN NEW YORK

poignant death scenes in film history was in 2001: A Space Odyssey. The star won an Oscar, though he was not even human. "I'm afraid. I'm afraid ... Good afternoon, gentlemen. I am a Hal 9000 computer," burbled the central character in Stanley Kubrick's film as it reverted to infancy in its final throes somewhere near Jupiter. "I became operational at the HAL labs in Urbana, Illinois, on the 12th of January. 1992. My instructor was Mr

ONE of the longest and most

sing a song ... It's called Daisy." The day of Hal's birth came yesterday, prompting reflection around the United States on how much Arthur C. Clarke, the author of 2001.

Langley and he taught me to

got it both right and wrong in 1968 when he invented the character of the petulant super-computer who boasted of his error-free record, ran amok and took over the spaceship Discovery as it was nearing a rendezvous with an alien sentinel near Jupiter. He killed all the crew bar the astronaut who managed to switch him off.

In 1968, when the computer revolution was starting, it seemed plausible that such an urbane, sentient machine could be just around the corner. But equipping a computer with true intelligence has proven much tougher than Mr Clarke imagined. "We've missed the deadline a little bit," conceded Larry Smarr. Supercomputing Applications Centre. By sheer coincidence, the centre is based in Urbana a place Mr Clarke



hailed by scientists

Hal and existing computers was that Hal could decide on

chose out of pure whimsy.

The big difference between

things to do that he was not programmed to do. said the experts in artificial intelligence. Mr Clarke said he only made one mistake, in timing. Things have been slowed down greatly by the Vietnam war and all the problems like the Challenger and Galileo lthe Jupiter-bound probe whose antenna is stuck] and the Hubble space telescope." he said from his home in Sri Lanka. "So the things we showed in 2001 won't happen until 2020 or '30

Mr Clarke said he thought at the time that the most implausible aspect of Hal was his ability to read the lips of astronauts who plotted to pull his plug to stop him. Such a machine has already been

But scientists, sci-fi buffs and film critics have been hailing the prescience of Mr Kubrick and Mr Clarke in predicting the potential for mischief in the new technology, a capacity now wellknown in America where rogue computers in the past have wrought havoc, jamming millions of telephone circuits, shutting down power stations and paralysing air traffic control.

Hal's birthday celebrations were only a little marred by Mr Clarke's insistence at the weekend that in his screenplay he originally wrote 1997 but the film-makers changed

Metro falls victim to graffiti vandals

FROM SEAN MAC CARTHAIGH IN PARIS

TRANSPORT officials stood in the Louvre metro station yesterday and shook their heads in dismay. The replica statues and paintings, glass cases and delicate relief brickwork which adom the platforms were covered in multicoloured graffiti. Vandals had needed just 15

minutes to spray everything in their reach with four "tags", or signatures. Having set off an alarm, they fled.

Louvre-Rivoli, the nearest metro to the Louvre museum, is the pride of the RATP, the Paris transport authority. Decorated and lit with painstaking care, it breathes a little culture into the rush hour crush and whets the appetite official said.

of the tourist Christian Kozar, director of safety and the environment for the RATP, said the vandalism made him feel sick in the stomach. And, in a reference to Jack Lang, the culture minister, said the vandals had been "encouraged by certain people who legitimise their activities". M Lang has organised several exhibitions

The RATP launched a campaign against "taggets" in 1991. Although more than £7 million has been spent, progress has been slight. "It's just impossible to watch over 300 stations in the Paris region 24 hours a day, one. conce

Kiev wins Russian concession in warships dispute

FROM MARY DEJEVSKY IN MOSCOW AND ROBERT SEELY IN KIEV

RUSSIA and Ukraine are to start formal talks on the division of the Black Sea fleet under an agreement reached at the weekend. The talks are expected to begin in a week, and the two republics will also discus; meeting their obligations under arms control agreements signed by the former soviet Union but not ratified before the resignation of President Gorbachev.

The agreement to discuss a division of the Black Sea fleet is at bast a partial victory for Ukrane because it comes after statements by President Yeltsin of Russia and others

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At ne end of this week,

Dougls Hurd, the foreign

secretay, will be visiting Ka-

zakhsta, Ukraine and Rus-

sia. One of the subjects he

wants t discuss as a priority

with republic leaders is Western conern over a potential

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military equipment, Gerhard Stoltenberg, the effence min-

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that the fleet should on no Commonwealth agreements account be divided. This victory may, however, have been bought at a high long-term cost to Ukraine, which seems to have agreed that the conventional forces it has won could be subject to cuts under the East-West treaty on reduction of conventional forces in Europe.

The agreement on the fleet was outlined in a communique late on Saturday night after a day of talks in Kiev. The communiqué said that the talks had covered "military-political questions", in

ers of the nuclear weapons

republics have so far shown

little interest in allowing

Western intervention. Mr

Cheney said last week he

doubted whether they would

invite Western experts in to

help dismantle their missiles.

· Senior British officials hope that the much-vaunted offer

of co-operation from the

KGB, the former centralised

Cheney: pessimistic

ebout nuclear spread

combat international terror-ism and drugs trafficking could be expanded to include

joint action to prevent the movement of former Soviet

nuclear scientists to Third

Major meeting: Boutros
 Boutros Ghali, the new Uni-

ted Nations secretary-gener-

al, will meet John Major, Mr

Hurd and other government ministers in London today.

He is on his first trip abroad

the beginning of the year.

since taking over at the UN at.

Germany cuts defence budget

FROM ASSOCIATED PRESS IN BONN

urday that the planned cuts

and military realignments re-

flected changing world sec-urity in the post-Cold War ers, as well as Germany's own

budgetary constraints.

Most likely to be affected

will be plans for transport

planes, tanks, heavy artillery,

ships and hardware for the

German air force, the defence

minister said. Plans to spend

20.7 billion marks on new

World countries.

arms pressure

Ly Michael Evans, defence correspondent

to be deduced from a sentence saying that the "forces deployed on Ukrainian territory comprise the group of strategic Commonwealth [of Independent States forces, the framework of earlier

excluding that part of the forces of the Black Sea fleet which will become part of the Ukrainian armed forces, and other Ukrainian forces, in-West to increase cluding those which will be subject to reduction, restructuring or withdrawal ... under obligations proceeding from the treaty on conven-tional weapons in Europe".

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forces, but its convoluted lan-

guage, together with the pro-

visions for immediate talks at

specialist level, indicated that

That Russia has conceded

Ukraine's right at least to a part of the Black Sea fleet has

there were

serious

The communique said that experts would spend a week preparing more detailed proposals on "military-political" questions. Until their work was complete, it added, "the sides agreed to refrain from any unilateral action".

Ukraine wants the fleet to form the basis of the Ukrainian navy, while Russia contends that it is of strategic importance and should re-main under single common-wealth command. Western estimates put the composition of the Black Sea fleet at between 70,000 and 90,000

men and 300 ships.

Towards the end of last week, Admiral Vladimir Chemavin, the commander of the former Soviet — now commonwealth — navy, said there was no reason why Ukraine should not have its own fleet for local purposes, such as guarding its mari-time border and preventing smuggling. Saturday's provi sional agreement, however, suggests that Ukraine will obtain more than this.

Russia is trying to clarify the meaning of a draft Rus-sian decree on control of the Commonwealth armed forces which was leaked to the Nezavisimaya Gaseta at the weekend. According to the newspaper, the decree would place all forces, nuclear and conventional, throughout the former Soviet Union under Russian command for an in-terim period, thereby making Russia the military as well as the political successor to the Soviet Union.

Prices protest, page

air force would need a new

fighter after 2000, plans to go

ahead with the European Jac-

ger 90 were being held back. The defence minister said

another 23 billion marks

would be saved by closing down some facilities. Herr

Stoltenberg said that the

planned changes would make

the German military more

mobile and enable it to partic-

inate in rapid deployment forces. To do that, however,



Cheek by jowt Miss Germany, Ines Kuba, planting a kiss on Hans-Dietrich Genscher, aged 64, the German foreign minister, during a late-night press party in Berlin at the weekend

Jews still blamed

FROM PATRICK MOSER INTONN

FIFTY years after the Nazis decided upon the "final sol-ution" that led to the Holocaust at a conference in Berlin, 32 per cent of Germans believe Jews carry part of the blame for their persecu-tion and 42 per cent believe that the Third Reich had both its good and its bad sides. Among Israelis, Germans are as unpopular as Palestinians.

Two surveys, carried out respectively by the Emnid Institute of Germany and the Gallup Institute of Israel, also show that 43, per cent of Israelis and 5 per cent of Germans believe that most Germans "are against Jews".

Der Spiegel magazine published the surveys to mark the 50th anniversary of the Wannsee conference in 1942, where Nazi leaders adopted their programme for the ex-termination of Jews. Of the 3,000 Germans interviewed by Emnid, 42 per cent said they believed only a minority about the Holocaust, in which six million Jews died.

When asked which Germans had to carry the burden of guilt for the Holocaust, 32 per cent chose the answer only those Germans who knew about it at the time", while 45 per cent felt it was only the Germans who participated in the persecution". Forty-two per cent said Germans today had no special responsibility towards Jews.

Gallup asked 1,000 Israelis to rate their sympathies for Germans, and others on a scale of +5 to -5. Palestinians and Germans both got an average rating of -1.6, compared with +0.9 for Russians and +2.9 for Americans.

Lithuania marks killings anniversary

Baltic states prepare for troops showdown

From Anatol Lieven in Vilnius

to be given "a large part of

Soviet military technology and equipment" stationed on

LITHUANIANS are commemorating the killing a year ago of 14 compatriots by Soviet troops, an event which played a key part in discredit-ing Mikhail Gorbachev and hastening the disintegration of the Soviet Union.
Jon Baldvin Hannibalsson,

the Icelandic foreign minister, paraphrased Churchill in telling the Lithuanian parliament yesterday: "Never in the history of human conflict has so much been owed by so many to so few."

The commemoration yes-terday and today comes when the three Baltic states are facing increasing problems from the presence of Soviet troops and the cessation of vital supplies from the former Soviet Union. On Friday. Lithuanian border guards fired in the air to stop a Soviet military convoy crossing from Lithuania into the Russian enclave of Kaliningrad, an incident described by Tass as in breach of a Lithuanian-Russian treaty guaranteeing free Russian access to

Kaliningrad.
A potentially serious confrontation also loomed in Estonia after a decision by the government to cut off supplies of cereals to Soviet troops in the republic.

Vytautas Landsbergis, the Lithuanian president, told the Lithuanian parliament yesterday that the events of last January showed that "the strong are not those who strike, but those who withstand". Anatolijs Gorbunovs, the Larvian leader, said that, by the sacrifice of their lives.
"the Lithuanians saved not just Lithuania, but Latvia and

Lithuanian prime minister, that of stabilisation. • Ties improve: Krzysztol said that his country would Skubiszewski, the Polish for-eign minister, arrived in Vilnot join the new Commonwealth of Independent States under any circumstances. He called for early Soviet military withdrawal and for Lithuania nius to sign a joint dec-laration with the Lithuanian

What is effectively a Polish climbdown followed several months of Polish-Lithuanian tension over the treatment of

its territory. He said that if 1991 was the year of econom-ic reforms, 1992 would be the Polish minority by the authorities in Lithuania.

Zhelev looks in line for Bulgaria victory

ZHELYU Zhelev, the dissident philosopher and incumbent head of state, was yesterday the clear favourite to win as millions of Bulgarians vent to the polls in the country's first free presidential elections.

The president, aged 56. was the leader of the opposition Union of Democratic Forces and was chosen as head of state by parliament in August 1990 after communist rule began to crack. If the president secures nationwide backing he may be able to bridge some of the differences between the reformist parties and keep alive the consensus

for swift market change. But his chief rival, Velko Vulkanov, a lawyer aged 64. seemed yesterday to be picking up many votes in the countryside. Although he is not a party member, he is backed by the former Communists (now named Social-



Winning smile: Zhelev

after voting yesterday ists) who have helped to organise campaign. His ultra-nationalist slogans, playing on anti-Turkish sentiment, have attracted people in the provinces.

To win outright. President Zhelev needs over half the vote. The indications yesterday were that he would easily secure this in the cities, but would only just squeeze ahead in the provinces.

Georgia leader 'to be moved'

London: Armenia has agreed to move Zviad Gamsakhurdia, the ousted Georgian president, away from the border between the two former Soviet republics, Russian tele-

vision reported yesterday
(Our Foreign Staff writes).
Tengiz Sigua, the acting
Georgian prime minister,
said in Tbilisi that he had asked Armenia to move Mr Gamsakhurdia closer to the Armenian capital of Yerevan.
About 5,000 supporters of Mr Gamsakhurdia protested in Tbilisi demanding his return. The crowd was swollen by demonstrators from west-

ern Georgia, where the fugi-

tive president still enjoys considerable support. Mr Gamsakhurdia, his family, and an entourage including several dozen armed bodyguards, fled last week to the small Armenian border

town of Idjevan, about 50 miles south of Tbilisi. Although armed soldiers are still checking documents on the streets of Tbilisi, newspapers have resumed publishing and television broadcasts are being shown.

American role

Moscow: Sepukh Tashchyan has become the second American in the Armenian government, having been named energy minister by President Ter-Petrosian. Raffi Ovanessian, the foreign minister, is also American. (AFP)

Volga cash

Bonn: Germany said it would spend 200 million marks (£70 million) this year on helping persuade ethnic Germans to stay in Russia. Half the sum will go to a planned autonomous German republic on the Volga. (Reuter)

Diehards rally

Berlin: Tens of thousands of diehard communists rallied at the graves of Rosa Luxemburg and Karl Liebknecht.
two activists who were murdered in 1919 for trying to convert Germany to socialism after the first world war. (AP)

Drug arrests

Naples: Police arrested 51 people and broke up a drugs ring peddling a new kind of "crack" in the largest raid in Naples in almost 20 years. Officers put the traffic in the "totaretti" drug at about £5 million a year. (AFP)

Sinking fear

Oslo: A stricken Panamanian cargo ship, the 75.352-tonne Arisan loaded with iron ore. was in danger of sinking off western Norway after it ran aground in a storm. A helicopter recued its crew 23. (Reuter)

Airport fracas

Frankfurt: Six Pakistani passengers were wounded, one seriously, in an attack at Frankfurt airport by about 20 men, also believed to be Pakistani, with knives, luggage and umbrellas. One ettacker was arrested. (AP)

Private spies

Madrid: A Spaniard was sent for trial and six others were under arrest after investigation of computer pirates who built up a data bank with more information on half of Spain's population than any government department.

spending from net year to 2005 was expected to total 117 billion marks [£41 bil-Germany would have to abolish its constitutional restricbattle tanks, anti-mine syslion). That represents a deeven Russia as well". tems and upgrading arcrease of 43.7 billio marks. tions on military involvement Gedyminas Vagnorius, the moured helicopters were Chance find, page 3 or about 35 per tent, in ourside the Nato area. axed. He said that, while the planned defence sending Belgrade denies army coup rumours

FROM TIM JUDAH AND DESSA TREVISAN IN BELGRADE

GERMAN's will cut its plan- Herr Stoltenberg said on Sat-

GENERAL Blagoje Alzic. Yugoslavia's acting minster of defence, moved over the weekend to quash speculation that any form of coup lad taken place within the army or that hardliners determined to wreck the United Nations peace plan were now in control. "The army will not inpose political solutions." he said. "Such speculations are tendentious and are ill-intesttioned insinuations aimed at discrediting the Yugoslav army and its command."

General Adzic, the chief of as minister of defence following the esignation of Veljko Kadijevi: last Wednesday, a day after the Yugosiav air force shot down an EC helicopier tilling five ceasefire monitor:

The weekend statement committing the military to because the United Nations peace attack". plan is highly significant as General Adzic has always been considered a leader of the military's hardliners opment with Croatia. General militia groups and despite Adzic's vhole extended family of 60 seople was murdered able that his men have, so far,

by Croatian fascists during the war and during the Croatian and Slovene conflicts he has distinguished himself by his apocalyptic and uncompromising statements. "Let's give peace a chance."

he said at the weekend. Last year he pledged to unleash "massive destructive forces" on Croatia and Slovenia and stamp out "traitors".
As Yugoslavia's fifteenth

ceasefire holds and the military renerates its commitment to it, one of the best known Serbian militia leadthe general staff, began to act ers, known as Arkan, threatened that recognition of Croatia by the EC on Wednesday would mean that "for us the war begins". While under the terms of the UN plan the Yugoslav army was set to withdraw from Croatia his men would be the last because "we expect an enemy

Arkan's men have been prominent in the siege of the eastern Croatian town of Osijek. The Yugoslav army has pledged that it will disarm all



Family at war: a Croatian soldier in Zagreb with

the silence of the Serbian

his wife and son before returning to the front

As the EC's decision on recognition for Croatia, Slovenia. Bosnia-Herzegovina and Macedonia approaches, of the first two. However, the continuing war of words with

government implies acceptance that there is little that it can now do to fend off the

inevitable, at least in the case

the leadership of the Serbs in Croatia and the silence following the announcement that Serbs in Bosnia were founding their own republic now implies a desire to tread cautiously and try and salvage as much as possible of the old Yugoslavia.

In Bosnia-Herzegovina yesterday Alija Izetbegovic, the president, announced plans for a new Yugoslav or Balkan community and in Macedonia the republic's large Albanian minority voted on autonomy

• Budapest: Further efforts to consolidate the ceasefire in Croatia before the start of the UN peacekeeping mission in the region gathered pace at the weekend as representatives from Croatia, Serbia, the Yugoslav federal army and the European Community met in Hungary to work out considence-building measures (Ernest Beck writes).

After six hours of talks in Pecs, all sides agreed to set up permanent military representatives' offices in the Serbian and Croatian capitals to facilitate communications and the exchange of information.

Hawk turned dove fails to allay Croat fears

From ANNE MCELVOY IN ZAGREB

GENERAL Veljko Kadijevic's resignation as Yugoslavia's defence minister last week, in the wake of the shooting-down of EC helicopters, signalled the end of decades of dominance of the military by second world war veterans. General Kadijevic was the

last of the generation who won their spurs in the Partisan struggles and who helped Tito to forge Yugoslavia on the principle of identity between the army and the state. But Tito's death, the independence movements in Slovenia and Croatia and the nationalism of Slobodan Milosevic, the Serbian leader, have rendered the federal army increasingly uncertain of its role. Now, with the disintegration of the federation irreversible, the case is no longer that of a state lent security and stature by its army, but of

large enough to support it. That task belongs to the postwar generation of offi-Croatia in Olympics, page 34 | cers, such as General Blagoje

an army in search of a state

Adzic, the former hardline chief of staff who is General Kadijevic's interim successor. At the weekend, General Adzic declared his commitment to stopping the fighting and publicly embraced the arrival of United Nations troops. But his sudden transition from hawk to dove occasions scepticism in Croatia and in opposition circles in Serbia.

The federal army is not over-endowed with charm. Even by its modest standards. however, General Adzic is an unprepossessing man. He was behind the army's main anacks on Dubrovnik and Vukovar. He is thought to have been responsible for ordering troops on to the streets of Belgrade to quell the student demonstrations there last March. A Serb from the Croat-dominated Herzegovina region. General Adzic claims he watched his entire family killed by the Croat Ustasha while he hid in the army's gains. branches of a tree.

reputation may be a good

thing for the tentative peace process beginning in Yugoslavia. The more aggressive army commanders regard him as their man and are less likely to flout his orders than those of his predecessor. How faithful the army re-

mains to a peaceful solution depends less on provocations from the Croatian forces than on its relations with its paymaster, the Serbian leadership. Up to now, the two have had the same interests for different reasons, but it is a marriage of convenience showing signs of strain.

However, the deployment of UN troops is welcome to both. The army knows that a shortage of reservists, low morale and rising competence on the Croatian side make it impossible to carry on winning for much longer. From Belgrade's point of view the stationing of UN troops inside Croatia confirms the

How Serbia and the federal Perversely, his hardline army will co-exist after the war is less easy to imagine.

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CINEMA

Shooting stars and their wishes

Kevin Costner, Barbra Streisand and Jodie Foster are recent examples of film actors taking over as directors. Geoff Brown hopes they have learned from past experiments of this kind

ou know what film directors do. They wear puttees and riding boots. They fire people. They sit in a chair with their names on the back. and they shout "Action!" But what if the director is also performing? How can he give the firing shot? How can he bark "Terrible!" or Print it!" when he or she is too

busy acting to watch? Times are hard for the film director's mythical image. More than any other, this is the age of the actor-director. Friday sees the British release of Little Man Tate: Jodie Foster stars and directs. In The Prince of Tides, released here next month, Barbra Streisand performs an identical feat, as she did nine years ago in Yentl.

Last year saw the directing debuts of Dan Aykroyd, Sean Penn and Mario Van Peebles. Nobody needs reminding about Kevin Costner, who fought in the American Civil War, became a surrogate Sioux Indian, danced with wolves. and looked through a viewfinder at the same time.

Actors are not alone in the sudden stampede to the director's chair. "If you can drive a car, you can direct a movie," John Landis remarked, provocatively, in 1990. Hollywood seems to agree: the trade paper Variety estimated that a quarter of all American films released that year had directors with L plates at the wheel. They came from film schools and successful careers in commercials and video; they were writers, cameramen, choreographers, special effects experts. Last year's figures have yet to be computed, but the trend is clearly continuing, with mixed results. Costner, the learner driver of Dances With Wolves, may have won the Grand Prix; but Dan Aykroyd, in Nothing But Trouble, caused the cinematic equivalent of

an M25 pile-up.
Cost is one important factor in the rise of the fledgling director. Any director flying high — a Scorsese or an Oliver Stone generally expects a high-flying fee. which can cripple a medium-budget film; while the veteran craftsmen who came to movies in the Forties or Fifties are being elbowed out by changes in taste. Someone young and inexperi-

Actors, however, are a different case. During the Hollywood systern's heyday, stars starred, and directors directed: only in very isolated cases - Chaplin, for instance, or the maverick Orson Welles — were the two jobs fused. The key to the current crop of debutants perhaps lies with Sylvester Stallone, who zoomed up from oblivion in 1976 as the star and writer of Rocky. Hollywood needed him badly: the town was dying for a new man with muscles and charisma. Stallone had both, plus ambition, and with Rocky a vast hit, he could exercise power.

A deal was hammered out to write, star and direct. The first result was *Paradise Aliey* (1978), an old-fashioned, endearing saga

'For every actor who graduates successfully, six others take the megaphone and run, never to return'

of Bronx wrestlers in the Forties clamouring for bright lights. Then came three Rocky sequels - each more threadbare than the one before, though none could doubt Stallone's ability to milk a formula to the last drop. Through a combination of chutzpah, one raging success and a bullish agent. Stallone blazed a trail that proved difficult for other ambitious actors

Another path to the director's chair involves forming your own production company. For a long time, this was the Hollywood actor's best means of preserving power once the studio system began to wobble in the post-war period. Burt Lancaster joined forces with the producer Harold Hecht as early as 1947. John Wayne formed Batjac in 1952: three years later, Kirk Douglas controlled his own outfit. Bryna

their fling in the director's chair. Fling seems the operative word. For every actor who graduates successfully, such as Woody Allen. Clint Eastwood or Richard Benjamin, six other actors take the megaphone and run, never to return. Lillian Gish's experiences 70 years ago have remained the norm. "After my experience with Remodelling Her Husband," she wrote, "I was cured of any desire to make films." Bob Hoskins, director of the strange gypsy drama The Raggedy Rawney, phrased the matter more piquantly: "It's like being pecked to death by a thousand

pigeons."
"Everybody's got questions," he explained when his film was presented at Cannes in 1988: "You get out of the car in the morning. All you want is a bacon sandwich and there they are. What do you want me to do about this? How are we going to do that? "For a performer - accustomed to disturbing the director's own breakfast - such decisions can be painful: one recent star actor could only direct after a morning session with his psy-

Once the pigeon pecks are done with, however, the end results of an actor-director's labours may be awkward, shapeless and over-in-dulgent: but they are rarely dull. If a performer follows the narcissist's route and directs himself, lingering shots and admiring close-ups of the star tend to proliferate. For Dances With Wolves, Kevin Costner awarded himself an invisible halo. in The Prince of Tides, Barbra Streisand takes revenge on the male directors who made her look an ugly duck by treating her character, a New York psychiatrist, to the most flattering photography and fashions. All this is only natural. Any writer-numed-director will pile on the words; any cameraman at the helm will do his damnedest to paint with light.

f the director shows restraint and casts someone else in the lead, performances can still be styled in his own image. Watching Sean Penn's The Indian Runner - the lugubrious tale of two brothers, one good, one bad it is hard to shake off Penn's surly features, though the bad brother is



A doubly singular model: Charles Laughton's only film as director, The Night of the Hunter, had Robert Mitchum as a psychotic preacher, seen here with one of the children he menaces

Man Tate, displays another variation in the pattern. She casts herself in a familiar, undernanding role (street-smart, working-class); the film's interest derives instead from the material's relation to her own life. Little Man Tate is a seven-yearold prodigy. Little Girl Foster made her screen debut at three, and her brains took her to Yale University. Some actors' films are exceeding-

well-behaved: look at Robert Redford's Ordinary People, or the occasional ventures of Paul Newman. But the most interesting contain quirks that would never occur to a journeyman director. Marlon Brando drove his studio bosses crazy over One-Eyed Jacks pulse of the times; he is also cheap. producer's powers, and in time had Foster's confident debut. Little schedule," he would snap — but Britain. Yet the film's visual sophis-

still contrived a unique psychological Western. John Cassavetes fuelled Shadows, Faces and his other films with a nervous energy derived from improvisation. Robert Montgomery - one of the first of the post-war breed - relayed Raymond Chandler's Lady in the Lake in 1946 through intriguing subjective photography: apart from bridging scenes, you only glimpsed Philip Marlowe if he happened to

brush by a mirror. But the most singular example of an actor-director at work remains Charles Laughton. He was no stranger to production when he made The Night of the Hunter in 1955: some 20 years before, he had

tication still leaves one breathless. Where did they come from, these mad, magic images of fleeing children, a psychotic preacher and the Ohio river? Stanley Cortez, a brilliant cameraman, obviously helped, so did James Agee's script. But Charles Laughton, the director with L plates, was the man at the wheel, guiding the shooting, heavily under the influence of silent cinema. For all aspiring Costners, though. Laughton stands as a warning as much as an inspiration: he never directed again.

ARTS REVIEWS Opera, Theatre and Rock

Art from . industry

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A NEW at gallery opens in London of Thursday, at an unlikely aldress: in the Science Museum. The form and texture of industrial landscapes and modern technology have inspired arrists from ogy have inspired artists from Turner and Loutherbourg to Paolozzi, Cuneo and Lumb, says Neil Cossons, the muse um's director. The gallery will enable the museum's permanent collection of pictures to be exhibited, including its most famous items: houtherbourg's 1801 maserpiece Coalbrookdale by Night, and Lowry's 1922 An Incustrial Town. There will also be temporary shows, beginning on Thursday, with pantings by the present-day "incestrial heritage" artist, Edna Lumb.

All for youth

COVENT Garden's opera season has not exactly been full of magical evenings thus far, so the glittering asembly of vocal talent planted for February 16 should powe especially attractive. It includes Thomas Allen, Willelmina Fernandez, Jerry Tadley.
Rosalind Plowright, Carol
Vaness and Sarah Valker.
But the evening has jothing
to do with the Royal Opera; it is a fund-raising galaioncert for British Youth Open, the organisation founde four years ago to give young professional singers a platform. BYO's president, the bass Robert Lloyd, will be hoping that the gaz goes some way towards empen-sating for lack of subidy: no more than 4 per tent of BYO's income coms from public grants.

Last chance . . .

STATUS QUO's ally titled Rock Til You Dop" UK tember with a boole marathon - four area shows staged at Sheffield Glasgow. Birmingham and London within 12 hours a sufficiently foolish endavour to earn the group an dry in the Guinness Book o Records. For the tour itse, which began in Novembe, the boys have stuck faithfull to the nononsense, three-chird, head-banging routine which will surely see them prough to pensionable age, he end of the road for this yar beckons at Phymouth Pation (0752 229922) tonight ind comes mouth (0202 29797).

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TELEVISION REVIEW

Joanna to the rescue

The last four months of If that happens, the BBC 1991 was an uneasy time for BBC 1, in which falling audience share was linked to criticism that the channel had lost its touch. That was too glib a judgment given that, to take Sunday nights as an example, much depended upon Trainer, which was at peak time, and Trainer never got over the first fence. January brought a new season and an altogether stronger Sunday night. The return of 'Allo, 'Allo and Lovejoy is followed by the new Bob Larbey comedy As Time Goes By and, for three weeks. Melvyn Bragg's

A Time to Dance.

ITV looks fairly bleak
alongside that line-up, although anchoring the evening with two hours of Poiror is easy-option scheduling that could still keep the commercial channel in front.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

should make it clearer than it has so far that numbers are

only part of the game.

I like Lovejoy, a series in which Ian McShane plays the eponymous leading role as an antiques dealer. Antiques matter to the series to about the same extent as pensioners mattered to Robert Maxwell. The nature of Lovejoy's business is simply a vehicle for the story, which usually manages to be enter-taining if not entirely plausible.

hat Lovejoy has lacked in the past lacked in the parameter a bona has been a bona laterest. Any series fide love interest. Any series producer faced with this problem can do worse than ook in his address book under L for Lumley, one of the more delicious among missing ingredients.

night's opening episode (a disappointingly corny device) and clearly Lovejoy and Vic-toria, the Joanna Lumley character, are about to enjoy a meaningful relationship. I hope its gestation will be shorter than that of other television romances, such as the Gold Blend commercial; certainly (under the eye of series creator lan La Frenais) it will be less tackily written.

Last night's episode concerned a ring that once belonged to an Inca king a crooked Brazilian banker who was a guest at Windsor Castle and the kidnapping of Lovejoy's business partner, the marvellously stiff-lipped Lady Jane, played by Phyllis Logan. "South American re-rorists in rural England?" Lovejoy said incredulously near the beginning. a sure



Victoria (Joaina Lumiey) and Lovejoy (an McShane)

terrorists were about to turn up in ruril England. These days no pot's beyond belief, credibility langing entirely by a thead that is in the bands o the writer. Lovejoy's groans under the weight from time to time, but the script and the characterisation hdd it intact.

PETER BARNARD

Berio and the bright young things

Group Young Mosicians, extravagantly gifted young soloists and ensembles, blowing, scraping, singing and dazzling away in the memory, the problem is where to start. Maybe with two incisively committed string players, the cellist Eva Boecker and the violinist Maya Iwabuchi, who chose adjacent works by Dailapiccola from the mid-Forties just one example of the Park Lane Group's canny network planning of their series), and brought this inward, reluctant music to singing life.

Or maybe with Ron Spigelman, who kept up stamina and spin in tossing bright trumpet tones into a reverberant piano and out to the Purcell Room to create Berio's Sequenza X. Or maybe with the guitarist Steve Gibb, who pulled off an even greater feat of patience in getting through 20 minutes of virtuoso strumming on behalf of the next, and most recent, piece in Berio's caval-

cade of exuberant ordeals. It is encouraging to see, by the way, how Berio has replaced Hindemath as the stable of this annual series, which can now choose largely from music written during its

own lifetime of 36 years. There was more Berio from Fiona Cross, playing the haunting little Lied for clarinet, and from Garth Hall and Andrew Zolinsky, who shared between them the four elemental studies for piano, as they also shared the first four pieces from ... in real time. Alexander Goehr's current

These are lovely, fantastical things, recreating the sweep and flow of Romantic piano music by precisely judged metrical modulation and harmonic ambiguity: painting by numbers, done with such sophistication that the numbers haze into the background and leave the luminous imagery. The only parallels are with recent Ligeti or with Debussy, and the fourth piece in the set is particularly captivating.

But no, first place must go to James Crabb for proving conclusively, right from his breathtaking entry from silence at the start of Arne Nordheim's Flashing, that the accordion is not after all an unfunny joke. It may not have much of a repertoire. but Crabb is the sort of player who can make a miracle of anything: he has the dexterity to make the accordion speak as rapidly as a harpsichord.

and he acts on his instrument with slicing exactness and conviction. One could dream of a Berio

sign that South American

Sequenza XII for him, but meanwhile his talents have been given open range in Gordon McPherson's Lame God, commissioned for this occasion. It has lightning bursts of speed; it has the lame god doing a touching lame waltz; and it makes evocative use of toneless squeezes, suggesting the in-strument in slow breathing while it rests. Hard to tell whether the structure may not be a bit ramshackle, s electric was every detail and every silence in the execution

nother stunning per former was Jonatha Kenny, a counter-ter or whose career so far has been entirely in Baroqui music, but who has great potential in conjuring wilder shades. To a strong, sur voice he adds the stage pres ence the mime skills and no a little of the look of John Sessions. Priaulx Rainler unaccompanied setting of ex tracts from Donne was boldly delivered as a challenge and proclamation (it helps so much that he can do withou the music), while in Sylvano Bussotti's Lachrymae he quite

transcended campness to actieve a moving portrayal of sersuality and disintegration: I cannot quite believe the pece was not written for him.

*piece that was, Michael finnissy's Two Motets, took lim into a calmer world me would once have said surprisingly calm for this composer — of arching chant, supported by Steve Gibb's

But this leaves me with no more space for Andrew Zolinsky, who showed his brilliance not only in Berio and Goehr but lalso in a coruscating performance of Karen Tanaka's Crystalline, which otherwise one might have thought uninterestingly atonalised Messiarn - just as he maintained concern for the crashing rhetoric of Poul Ruders's Dante-Sprata. Nor can I do more than mention Garth Hall's intinate, sparkling and careful path through a selection from Colin Mat-thews's Studies it Velocity-while the splendid Albion Brass Consort, who sorted out the finicky intrigues of Benedict Masons Quinter among their probd performances of more assertive music, must go virthout fur-ther record. Sorry folks.

PAUL GUFFITHS

Amid the sounds of violence

Simon: a cultural hero

White middle-

of-the-road

music fans

made up most

of the audience

Johannesburg's biggest stadium on Saturday were vintage political theatre: theatre: "Yankee go "We will destroy the capitalists"; and "Paul Simon,

friend of racists". Inside the venue for the African eg of Simon's

Born at the Right Time world tour, the only political message visible was the quixotic "Quasimodo for president". Fans paraded giant posters bearing the face of Sithe American conqueror of African

Between two worlds stood the turnstiles of the Ellis Park rugby stadium, and the heaviest security presence yet seen at a cultural event in

South Africa. The operative mood was paranoia. But the demonstrators numbered no more than 50, and be-

yond singing resistance songs and dancing the toyi-toyi - an on-thespot jogging-march associated with political protest — they did not so much as slow down passing traffic, let alone halt the concert.

For the audience this was a welcome anti-climax. The 40,000 present were predominantly white and affluent. While the cheapest tickets on the tour are, at R40 (£8), inexpensive by international standards, their price is still high enough to preclude a large township contingent.

The threatened action by militants, which made headlines in the week leading up to the event, also seemed to scare off many black ians, whose daily lives are immersed in violence.

The extreme left Pan Africanist Congress (PAC) and Azanian Peoments after the African National Congress (ANC) - had thrown their support behind any efforts to disrupt the six-concert tour.

Azapo's youth wing, the little known Azanian Youth Organisation (Azayo), which told Simon he was not welcome, exploited the controversy to

maximum effect. When a hand grenade exploded utside the offices of the local promoters of the tour on Wednesday night, Azayo proclaimed that violence was a justifiable response to the tour and grabbed not only headlines, but also a lengthy meeting with Simon. The musician emerged to tell a press conference that the

But Simon has still to come to grips with the bewildering array of acronyms, let alone the differing political motives behind the actions of each player in

threat of violence

was over:

the boycott game. Azayo promptly announced that it had given no guarantees about violence. It suggested Simon give additional concerts under the patronage of Azapo. As it dawned on Simon's management that the protests were not about maintaining the boycott — but rather about gain-ing political capital — it called a halt to the negotiations. Simon could be forgiven for

thinking he does not deserve all this acrimony. After all, musicians in South Africa regard him as the single most important factor in bringing the country's township rhythms to world prominence. He is a hero to both white nostalgia junkles and to younger converts, black and white, who regard the Graceland album as the high point of South African cultural

Before Graceland, few black



Under African skies: ticket prices put blacks in the minority among the 40,000 fans who attended the first of Paul Simon's concerts in his tour of South Africa

artists had ever been heard on white South African pop radio stations. In the wake of the album and worldwide tour, Ladysmith Black Mambazo became the first South African black group to be playlisted on white radio with a song in an ethnic language.

oreign interest in South African music was in-spired by Graceland, which also gave township rhythm a level of respectability it longer had among the urbanised township people. In the 1970s and 1980s, most black acts leaned towards American funk and jazz fusion. Today that pendulum has swung back towards rhythms like mbaqanga and kwela (township live and beat, respec-

1960s, are being reissued. Among others, Spokes Mashiyane, who popularised the penny whistle in Britain in the 1950s, has been given a posthumous comeback with the re-release of King Kwela, his 1958 album. The most obvious new beneficiary of the trend is Mango Groove, the kwela-pop dance band that brought a 2,000 crowd to its feet in the Hammersmith Odeon last November.

Unintentionally, Simon also achieved a political breakthrough with Graceland In 1985, he had come to South Africa in secret to put together a raw tape in a Johannesburg studio and was blacklisted for breaking the ban on international musicians working in South Africa. when the

Graceland - was released, and when anti-apartheid artists such as Hugh Masekela and Miriam

Makeba railied to his defence, the United Nations agreed that artists from South Africa would no longer be barred from performing outside their homeland. Simon was also "forgiven" for working in

asekela. Makeba. Ladysmith Black Mambazo, Rav Rachabane and Bakhiti Khumalo were part of the musical who's who on the Graceland tour. Since then, Masekela and Makeba have come home from exile as elders of the musical tribe. Phiri has become a permanent fixture in Simon's band, Rachabane and Khumalo perform in South Africa in their own jazz bands. Ladysmith Black Mambazo has opened an institute to advance the

cause of indigenous music.

All these artists, with the exception of Masekela, who is planning a groundbreaking show at Sun City, once the focus of the cultural boycott, joined Simon on stage at Ellis Park on Saturday. But somehow, it was not the same.

The audience lapped up the Graceland classics, but the first display of unbridled enthusiasm came for the mid-1970s hit, "Me and Julio Down Schoolyard", which had the audience dapping. It was clear that the audience were white middle of-the-road music fans who related to the instant hits of pop radio.

This response, along with the political debacle, is likely to provide telling lessons for other artists planning to tour South Africa. For one, if they wish to attract audiences that reflect their vision of a society based on equality. ticket prices will have to be pitched

so low that they will have to take enormous losses. Harvey Goldsmith, the international pop concert promoter. accused the media of exaggerating the threat of violence and thus keeping potential fans away. Bu: Simon himself gave the threats

credence by spending almost a full day meeting the protesters. Those artists who are willing to take a huge loss for the sake of making a statement - Sting, Peter Gabriel and Dire Straits have been mentioned in this context will have to spend time and energy ensuring that all shades of opinion are solicited, and that no one opposes their tours.

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This will require far more work than merely recording a hit album, and may well keep South African music-lovers in isolation long after the cultural boycott has

Surviving on isolation row

washing line. In a cracked voice he explains that he is "airing" the paper to get rid of the chemicals in the ink. "It takes several weeks before I feel comfortable working with

them," he croaks. From behind a thick glass window in a porcelain-lined trailer, sealed against airborne pollutants, a woman tells her teenage son what she wants for dinner. Nearby. another woman is so sensitive to indoor chemicals - from furniture, paint and solvents that she always sleeps outside, even in winter.

These are the "canaries" of Wimberley, a bleak, windy town in Texas which has become a refuge for people with an extreme sensitivity to the modern world. Why canaries? Because, as a local resident chirpily observes, recalling the way miners used the birds to detect poisonous gases underground: "When the canaries stop singing, we know our world is bad."

Most viewers of tomorrow's 40 Minutes: When the Canaries Stop Singing on Wimberley's chemical refugees are likely to think the world is bad enough already for them. Caroline, now in her early thirties, was a marathon runner until the day, ten years ago, when she was sprayed with pesticide from an aircraft. Her weight fell to 65 ib and she was in and out of

hospital four times. Held hostage by her illness. she then spent a year in a "strict" room — "I had nothing, not even a pencil and paper" - until her immune system strengthened enough for her to go out again.

The natural response to this grim story is a mixture of

man, who wears only white cotton, is pegitself off from the 20th century



Aired mail: ink chemicals are dispersed in Wimberley

sympathy and awe. But it also raises an urgent question: might the treatment be worse than the disease? This the film chooses not to answer, relying instead on the simple testimony of its tragic subjects. It reports, uncritically, their own assessments of their problems and the aggressive treatments they have chosen. In cutting themselves off from physical contamination, they sever their links with families and friends, with the past - and the future.

The notion of "environ-mental illness" — also known as "chemical hypersensitivity syndrome", "total allergy syndrome" and "20th-century disease" - has gained popularity amid growing concern about pollution. Clinical ecologists, who treat environmental illness, believe that some humans have failed to adapt to synthetic chemicals, resulting in new forms of sensitivity to them-

But conventional doctors

are sceptical. A Royal College of Physicians report, still in draft form, by Britain's leading allergy specialists on al-ternative treatments of allergy says there is "no good evidence" that environmental chemicals depress the immune system and "no unified theory" of clinical ecology.

Because of its controversial nature, the report is now out for consultation. Among those who hope to see a modification of its hostile stance is Dr Ronald Finn, a consultant physician with a special interest in environmental medicine at the Royal Liverpool Hospital. Clinical ecology. Dr Finn says, is about the interaction of people with the environment. "Hayfever is an allergy to pollen, so you would think it would be more common in the country than in the town. It is the other way round. People in towns are damaging their noses with pollution, which allows the

Put like this, it is hard to understand how the validity of environmental medicine could be denied. There is a consensus among conventional doctors that the worldwide increase in allergies may be linked to pollution.

So why the dispute? According to Dr Finn, it is a matter of focus. "Environmental medicine people are more interested in the chemical sensitivity, allergists in the allergy." A more important reason may be quack practices disguised as clinical

have had a chemical over dose, such as being sprayed with pesticides, suffer damage to their immune systems One way you can help is by taking them away somewhere where the air is pure. But it is a pretty major thing to take someone out of their environment for a few months and then return them to pick up the threads of their life. That is the worry — that the treatment becomes worse than the disease."

Environmental Health Centre in Dallas appears to have few doubts about the benefits of life in a porcelain pod. Interviewed for the programme, he says: "If it is necessary to go into a restricted environment to reduce the total load of chemicals we all have to deal with every day that's reasonable."

But Dr Gerald Ross of the

Thomas Kurt, medical toxicologist for poison control at the Western Medical Centre, takes a different view. He was not interviewed for the programme, but last week he said that many of the Wimberley residents are likely to be suffering from toxophobia. an extreme sensitivity to certain odours which provoke anxiety or panic attacks. It is not the chemicals they are

sensitive to, but their smell. Many doctors believe that there, is a psychological component in much environmental illness and allergy. A leading article in the New England Journal of Medicine suggested that a large proportion of the people who consult allergists have psychiatric problems, but are seeking a socially acceptable label for them.

A few months on antidepressants might be worth trying if it spares one a lifetime in a pod. But this is not a film about loneliness and loss. It has a different message. The closing shots of Wimberley show this legend: "It is estimated there are 60,000 chemicals in everyday use." Have a nice day.

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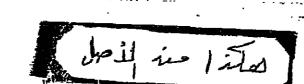
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Peter Riddell doubts the 1964 election is a form guide to the 1992 election

uring a break in last week's shadow cabinet review of strategy. Neil Kinnock reminisced with colleagues about the 1964 election campaign. Many were students then, or at the start of careers, although Tony Blair was just an 11-year-old schoolboy. Their memories, Mr Kinnock says, were mostly of a hard-slog campaign, rather than the big switch to Labour suggested by recent comparisons of the

mood then and now. In one sense the Labour leaders' memories are right. There was no great upsurge in support for the party at the 1964 election. It won nearly 60 more seats compared with 1959, to gain a tiny overall majority, but its share of the overall vote rose by just 0.3 percentage points. What happened was a big swing against the Tories, whose share fell by six points, mainly boosting the Liberals' vote, though giving them only two extra MPs.

Comparisons with 1964 are superficially attractive - 13 years of Tory rule, a new prime minister.

a livelier Oppo-sition — but they are essentially misleading. The final, narrow Labvictory reflected two contrasting trends. neither of which is present now.

First, there was a change in the political mood in 1963-64. The Tories looked stale following the scanpresent now dals and splits at the end of the Macmillan years, and this was only partly

changed by the arrival of the Home administration. Middle aged politicians and commentators may now have a rosetinted nostalgia about the excitements and the satire boom of 1963-64. But Harold Wilson did exploit and fuel, a feeling that it was time for a change. It was fashionable to support Labour, Tony Benn noted in his diaries a 1963 meeting of the Society of Labour Lawyers packed with those eager to jump on the bandwagon and obtain judgeships. While the Tories had, in practice, shifted towards greater intervention in industry and incomes policy. Mr Wilson successfully gave the impression of leading a drive to modernise Britain. For much of 1963-64 Labour had a big lead

over the Tories in the polls. Little of that mood is present now. Chris Patten fairly argues that there has been no fundamental shift in the Zeitgeist, no real sense that it is "time for a change". There is no sense of a once-in-ageneration turning point which James Callaghan detected before the 1979 election, and existed also in 1945. Socialism, even a belief in an active state, is not the wave of the moment. The support for Labour of the Pinters and David Putmam is more a source of amusement than of inspiration for the chartering classes.

Labour has been so keen to offer reassurance about its changed approach that it has risked being seen as safety-first and boring. Labour leaders are wary of trying to excite voters for fear of scaring

RIDDELL ON MONDAY

them. Mr Kinnock at times appears like the leader of a management buy-out of UK plc rather than of a crusade to change

The Tories also look fresher and have a more popular leader than in 1963-64. John Major has handled the transition from the Thatcher years skilfully, keeping his party largely united and drop-ping some of the unpopular poli-cies of the late 1980s. He has already responded to voters' worries about public services by rais-ing spending. The Tories' answer to calls for a change of government - that there has been one - seems less unconvincing than in the

Of much less comfort for the Tories is the other trend of 1964. a booming economy. The Labour lead had been at its peak after the recession of 1962-63, but fell back

during 1964 as the

"Harold Wilson helped fuel rapid expansion and sharply reduced unemployment. did exploit, That accounts for and fuel, a Labour leaders' feeling that it memories of a hard slog in the 1964 was time for a campaign. In some respects, the change. Little striking feature of that election was of that mood is not that Labour won only narrowly. but that, in view of the strength of the

economy, the To-ries lost so much support between 1959 and 1964. The Maudling boom was just not strong enough to remove memories of the earlier downturn and to counteract the desire

Now, there is not even a Lamont boomlet. But that does not guarantee a Labour victory, especially as social changes since the 1960s have reduced the size of the party's core support. Moreover, the Tories are still seen as better managers of the economy. Voters may still want to punish the Tories for the poll tax and the recession, but they do not necessarily believe that a Kinnock government could produce a significant improvement

The convergence of the main parties' appeals and voters' doubts about whether a change of government would make much difference may account for recent poli rankings. Leaving aside occasional fluctuations, the Tories have averaged around 39 to 40 per cent since last spring and Labour has been about 41 to 42 per cent. though there are signs that it has slightly widened the gap in the past lew weeks. The big uncertainty is whether the Tory-Labour battles will benefit the Liberal Democrats, who have been squeezed out since the autumn. All but a handful of polls have pointed to a hung Parliament with no overall majority. That is perhaps the crucial difference from 1964. Then, most voters expected a Labour government, and, for a long period, nearly a majority wanted one. Now, the electorate is less sure what it expects, or wants.

In the scramble to put new embassies in the East, corners must be cut, says Michael Binyon

ast Friday Her Britannic Majesty's embassy in Kiev was officially opened. But no ambassador in a cockaded hat arrived to present credentials, no flag was unfurled, no brass plaque glittered on the gate. Instead, the hard-pressed consul-general was promoted to charge d'affaires and the anonymous hotel room that doubles as his office became the newest of Britain's far-flung embassies, complete with flag, telephone and kettle.

The break-up of the Soviet Union and Yugoslavia presents the Foreign Office with its biggest diplomatic challenge since the second world war. In the space of four months two countries have become 21, each clamouring for recognition. Not even in the scramble to decolonialise Africa have so many new embassies been in the offing. Will all those counsellors now kicking their heels in Whitehall find themselves dispatched to Alma Ata and Ljubljan Dubache and Caming Comments. na, Dushanbe and Sarajevo? Can the Foreign Office, at a stroke, trim its top-heavy pyramid and bring dreams of embassy drawing rooms to dozens of wives awaiting their husbands' knighthoods? Reality, alas, is more prosaic

Schmidt of the FO

and trammelled by Treasury spending limits. Britain will be hard pressed to find money enough to open three new embassies, let alone a score. Size alone would make it impractical to set up the panoply of diplomatic services in Yugoslav republics, some of which may not want in the end to separate from Serbia. Most former republics of the Soviet Union will still be served from Moscow. And in a novel solution that cuts costs and shows eagerness to share sovereignty with European Community partners, the head of Britain's mission to Uzbekistan or Azerbaijan is likely to find himself using the back door of the German embassy.

When Africa gained independence Britain was able to fly the flag without much difficulty sim-

flag without much difficulty simply by amalgamating the old Colonial Office with the Foreign Office and turning former gover-nors' buildings into high commissions. Over the past 30 years, however, Britain has found little

keeping its men in the Tropics. Burkina Faso, Comoros, Cape Verde and the Central African Republic all have British ambassadors; none live in these scantily populated countries. Only in places where an embassy also serves the interests of unrepresented allies, such as Angola and Mongolia, is a fully staffed mis-sion worthwhile. Like third world ambassadors accredited to half a dozen European states. Britain has found diplomacy often needs little more than an air ticket and a fax. After 50 years, diplomatic relations have been restablished with Albania. The British ambas-

occasional visitor. Nevertheless, the Union Jack and royal crest are potent symbols. In the wake of the failed Soviet coup, Europe hurried back to the Baltics. Britain now has resident ambassadors in all three. Money will also be found for premises in Kiev, now capital of the largest

sador to Tirana will be only an

profit, political or commercial, in country entirely in Europe, in Minsk, capital of Belorussia, and Alma Ata in Kazakhstan. The latter two are nuclear powers. Minsk, as well as being closest to Britain, is also improbably the administrative centre of the Commonwealth of Independent States. But the others will probably never see the ambassadorial Rolls, or even a Ford Escort. Pending the niceties of agreement, our man in Moscow is likely to spend a lot of time on Aeroflot as he presents credentials all over the former Soviet Union.

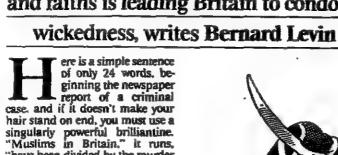
A notional presence on the ground is still essential, however. and conveniently the Germans, who have the biggest potential trading and political interests in Eastern Europe, appear happiest to accommodate the British. Shared buildings and embassy services are the first logical step. Whether one day HBM's ambassador will also be Herr Schmidt is more debatable, but not ruled out in Whitehall. At present the

scramble by the bigger EC mem-bers, as well as the United States, is to find and occupy the best building. And if Britain is first to find a 16-room building with passable plumbing and a water-tight roof, it will sign a contract straight away — and then suggest letting six of the rooms to the Dutch or the Danes.

Today's telephone diplomacy has removed some of the fun and most of the mystique of embassy life. Gone are the days when the representation to the Sublime Porte occupied the best site in Constantinople. The marble building is still there — now the consulate general. Past splendour still remains in Kathmandu and Kabul, Cairo and Paris. But the successor states to the Soviet Union and Yugoslavia will at best see something severely functional: the sort of office a sales representa-

tive might choose. There will not even be any feathers or brocade: by tradition, full diplomatic uniform is worn in only a dozen countries, most of them monarchies. Treasury drab is likely to dictate both the uniform, the furniture and even the location of Britain new missions in

One law for the Muslims



have been divided by the murder f Sharifan Bibi, 18, by members of her own family as a punishment Savour the word "punishment"

for a moment: does it not suggest something like a trial, with a prosecution and a defence, with witnesses and evidence, and a jury listening to a judge's summing up. and an appropriate sentence at the end of the proceedings, followed perhaps by an appeal?
That is what the defendants got.

but not their sister. These two mur-derous hitmen, stinking of selfrighteousness, killed the girl and her lover; they apparently dismembered the bodies and threw the remains into a pit in a ceilar. Meanwhile, the family "appeared unhelpful and unconcerned

If I have only made your flesh Go back and find the crucial words in the opening paragraph: 'Muslims in Britain have been divided by the murder . . .

Oh, they have, have they? And in what proportions? For although only a small number of mad fanatics would act similarly, and not many more would applaud from the wings, the very fact that such murder most foul can be condoned in Britain or any civilised country is surely a cause for shuddering, and - more important than any shudder -action.

Harmonious relations between races in a country as small as Britain are important; on the whole, they have been good here, or at least peaceful. Mr Enoch Powell's wild vision of "the Tiber, foaming with much blood", as he foresaw a Kulturkampf between the indigenous and the incomers (forgetting,



among many other things, that we were all incomers once), has not come to pass, God be thanked and Allah be praised and sensible men

and women be applauded. It has been argued that the newcomers should for a time have the seesaw tilted towards them rather than to the host population; if we are serious about assimilation, we must encourage as many immigrants as possible to take on the lineaments of the rest of us. Besides, there are lots of potential

black Tory votes in Bradford. The seesaw, inevitably, is very delicately balanced, and it is easy for the authorities - local and central - to smile at the quaint habits of the erstwhile foreigners,

confident that the quaintness will fade along with the erstwhileness. There was a nasty moment a few the prosecution lawyer, not the defence, and the inexorable laws of years ago when a gentleman from physics lay down that anyone who the Middle East took it into his head to slaughter a sheep outside his front door, and seemed surprised, just as he had finished cutting the beast's throat and was getting on with emptying the blood into the gutter, to be told by a passing policeman that such customs are on the whole frowned upon in the more fashionable parts of London, and would he therefore kindly desist. (There is also Dr Siddiqui and his cuttings-

repeatedly and unambiguously ex-pressed, was officially ignored. We must not be too literal; the death of Sharifan Bibi cannot be simply laid at the door of those who spurred on the fatwa. But if you listen carefully to some of the words used in the trial for her murder, you may have cause for unease. Take the pleading of the lawyer first: "It was probably a killing to protect the honour of the family. You may think they had the feelings of their deeply religious father, who was a teacher at

Nothing wrong with that, you may say; any defending counsel

rea your would put it in such words, to ensure as much sympathy as possible for his clients. No doubt but those words were spoken by

> bends backwards far enough will. eventually fall over. But now hear the judge, passing sentence on the two sororicides: You must remember you are members of a wider family, the family of the human race." It's a wonder he didn't express regret that the law gave him no alterna-

tive to a life sentence. It is easy to say that time will eventually dissolve such evil uprightness; already, the members of the younger generation are turn-ing away from such bloodthursty precepts, if only because they see

their indigenous coevals practising a very different style of life: though remember that it takes courage - courage unto death, even — for a young woman of a strictly religious Muslim family to insist on a career and marriage of her own choice, not of her parents. (I still get a naive pleasure when I come upon children playing, and hear the black ones talking in the same cockney tones as the white.)

et we must remember that Islam is a worldwide tree of faith, and beneath some of its branches very ugly things may shelter. Whatever happens over the next few years, few can be happy at what is happen-ing, let alone what may yet happen, in Algeria, where the pot of fanaticism bubbles fiercely on

Let us not fall into the trap of sentimentality disguised as admiration. There are many people in Britain who applaud, publicly or covertly, those who cleave to the most rigid fundamentalist Muslim teaching and behaviour. Would that Christians, they say. were as assiduous and serious about their own religion, and no wonder that there are fewer and fewer Christian church-goers, considering the feebleness of what they hear when they go there.

Well, all the Christians need is a twigs, a box of matches and a heretic or two. (Only one or two to start with, that is; if it goes well, we can give a prize for the best translation of auto-da-fe — this is a British Inquisition, we'll have you know.)

When in Rome ... do not. please, murder your sister, but if you must do not feel proud of yourself afterwards. The world has taken a very long time to get out of barbarism as far as it has, and it will take much longer to complete the process. That longed-for day will only be postponed once more if wickedness is clothed in holiness and bloodlust is mistaken for sacramental oli.

Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Some people have forgonen, and some never knew, that the stress in that sentence is on "mine" and "I".

...and moreover Matthew Parris

he search has been on, revealed The Times Diary last week, for a new scribe to answer the prime minister's letters from the general public. That is the job I did for Mrs Thatcher from 1977 to 1979. Dealing with a Conservative

leader's general correspondence is best compared to digging a ten-mile trench across a minefield. It combines mindnumbing drudgery with occasional enormous explosions. In the late 1970s, as leader of

the Opposition. Mrs Thatcher was receiving every week be-tween a few score letters and 10,000. Borne up like a pingpong ball on the air currents of national controversy, a party leader's mail bag fluctuates crazily.

Our first task every morning was to open the envelopes. We sorted their contents into two principal heaps: "Views, etc" and "Trickies".

The "Views, etc" were generally answered with "thank you for your views", etc. or some variant of this, and an occasional note was compiled for Mrs Thatcher letting her know roughly what people were saying, and in what numbers.

This she devoured hungrily. Mrs Thatcher took an inordinate interest in her public correspondence. She had to be kept from it by every available subterfuge, for, unless restrained, she could be found in the small hours trying to read each of 3,000 letters about capital punishment, or Rhodesia, and underlining in thick I was from Chris Patten's

Conservative Research Department, and knew instinctively that it was our duty to divert her from contact with the views of the nation, as they brought out the worst in her. But she was not personally

unkind, and this caused us another problem. The Trickies we subdivided into "Poorlies". "Enquiries" and "Loonies", hav-ing first removed all correspondence from MPs, peers, knights, or anything containing money or promises of money which were to be given at once to

The "Enquiries" usually got the text of some recent speech in reply, or went to the research department for draft advice. One such from a man sacked because he would not join a union, went to Jim Prior's

I left his draft reply, dodging the issue, on Mrs Thatcher's desk. It was back on mine the next morning with a line straight through it and "I hate" ("hate" underlined three times) 'the closed shop" scrawled right across it in her own hand.

But the "Poorlies" (hard luck cases) and "Loonies" (mostly people being poisoned via their television set by death rays from Jim Callaghan - some 60 per cent of the British population. in my view, believe they are being poisoned by somebody or other) were sometimes heart-

The problem was that if Mrs

Thatcher got hold of these she would start penning long and kindly personal replies, unconcerned that there were 500 more where these came from.

Her public harshness has become famous, so it is worth mentioning that, privately, she could be kind, unlike her "wet" foes, who were publicly more compassionate but privately rather cynical. It was a nice trait in her, but it did not make her letter-writer's job

That Diary piece took me straight back to the most frightening moment of my life, more terrifying even than when Peruvian bandits set fire to my tent: the moment in 1979 when I entered Mrs Thatcher's room to account for a letter I had written on her notepaper.

The Labour party had printed a million leaflets of it. A facsimile filled the front page of that morning's Daily Mirror. Rich-ard Ryder, her secretary. awaited me outside with a triple brandy . . .

So. a word of advice to the new scribe in Mr Major's office. Before signing any reply to a member of the public, pause. Read it carefully through Does it inspire in you the thought. "serves him/her jolly well right"? Then read it aloud twice, just for the satisfaction: and tear

it up.
Count to ten. Place upon your desk a clean sheet of paper, grit your teeth, and write "Dear Sir/Madam, Thank you for your interesting letter. Yours

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The spy who loved JFK

EVEN before the dust has settled on the row over Oliver Stone's film JFK, a biography of President Kennedy will further stir controversy with an accusation that he had an affair with a suspected

Nazi spy during the last war. According to Nigel Hamilton, author of JFK: Reckless Youth, the first of three volumes about the golden president and his family. Kennedy was never allowed to forget the affair by the head of the FBI, J. Edgar Hoover. Hamilton claims Hoover used his knowledge as a lever on Kennedy when he became president in 1961.

He says: "Kennedy fell pas-sionately in love with a Danish girl. Inga Arvad, who was four years older than him. The FBI taped their lovemaking when JFK was based in the capital from 1941-42 as a junior intelligence officer. It led to the intervention of President Roosevelt and Ken-

nedy's father, Joseph."
Hamilton, who is researching his trilogy in Kennedy's home town of Boston, will further challenge the Kennedy myth by daiming that JFK's political career was launched on the basis of a corrupt deal by his father. Hamilton says: Kennedy senior was so determined for his son to become president that in 1945 he bribed the well-known congressman. James Michael Curley, to vacate his Boston seat for John, which he duly won the following year. The correspondence I have seen suggests that JFK was privy to this."

In one of the most sensational passages of the book, Hamilton describes Joseph Kennedy as "one of the most evil ment in 20th century American history". Ten years ago the book would not have found an American publisher. In



album, but a circus can hardly

However, the seesaw can be

exist without the clowns.)

the wake of Ted Kennedy's recent difficulties and the William Kennedy Smith rape trial, it seems the nation is only too ready to lap up accusations destined to tarnish the image of "Camelor for ever.

Mandarins at the MoD took political sensitivity a bit far last week when Dick Cheney, the US defence secretary, was in town. Tom King, his British counter-part, wanted to take him to see Alan Bennett's new play. The Madness of George III. But in the play the king. played by Nigel Hawthorne, bemoans the fact that Britain has lost her American colonies. Not a good subject for Mr Cheney, the ministry advisers suggested. Gaining full marks for sanity, King ignored their advice.

Jumping the gun

OF ALL people. Peter Mandelson, who masterminded Labour's last general election campaign, is the last you would expect to fall foul of election laws. But a leaflet put out by the Labour party in Hartlepool, where Mandelson is the prospective parliamentary candidate, appears to have committed errors that could cost him dear.

In describing Mandelson as the party's candidate, rather than prospective candidate, the party may have unwittingly launched

his election campaign. That means that any money Mandelson spends on party propaganda between now and polling day will be counted against the legal limit on his election expenses, which could restrict his ability to spend during

the campaign itself.

Mandelson insists he is unconcerned. "I don't give a damn. You are a skunk," was his measured response when asked about the matter.

Feathered friends

PEST controllers have feelings too. Rentokil has turned down a contract from Wandsworth council in London to kill 200 Canada geese because it feels its reputation would be "irreparably damaged". A spokesman for Rentokil. which handles 60 per cent of pest control in Britain, says: "It is hard

make him an offer he can't refuse RENTOKI

to believe any firm would be mad enough to do it. If we did our name would be mud."

Colin Booty, wildlife officer for the RSPCA, agrees with Rentokil and last week wrote to the council asking it to explain the reasons for the cull. But Joanna Kettle of the council says the cull will take place before the end of the month. Because of the "danger" from animal activists she would not reveal the date or how many marksmen will be used, only that the deed will be done by night.

Rogue gallery

ANTONIA BYATT has accused the Tate gallery of being "highhanded". It says in turn that the Booker prize winning novelist is being elitist. What is undisputed is that the Tate has ended privileged private viewings on Sunday morn-ings for Friends of the gallery.

Byan says: "In the most se-cretive, high-handed way the gallery has now done away with one of my favourite outings on Sunday mornings. I joined the Friends purely to be able to have this rather privileged access," She turned up one Sunday to find her access had been switched to one Thursday evening a month. "What use is that?" she says. "I want to see the paintings in daylight and don't

want to go after work." Wilf Weeks, chairman of the Friends, says: "The Council of the Friends was concerned that income which is intended for the acquisition of pictures for the Tate was being diverted for the benefit of only a small proportion of the membership." Sounds like a good short story at least, if not a full-

♠ Britain's parliamentarians took on their counterparts from Switzerland on the ski slopes of Davos last week. The Brits won the Parallel race, while the Swiss swept the honours in the Giant Statom. Tim Sainsbury, the Tory MP who had been named as a member of the British team, was not in fact there. "I'm sure they were much better off without my contribution on the

slopes," he says.

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His 150th anniversary fell in 1986

with a fanfare of silence. There was

an exhibition of Gilbert materials in

New York, true, but that was about all, as far as I know. Unfortunately,

not all deserving artists have their anniversaries celebrated.

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From Sir Bryan Askew

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ways of picking out each individual's

It would be good to see the political

parties collaborating on this matter

rather than sniping at one another.

Sir, Mr Kenneth Clarke is absolutely

right to decide upon a £10 million

pilot project on the teaching of

reading (report, January 9) rather than spend the £42 million de-

manded by the Labour party (report,

There have always been pupils who

are slow to learn. Just over 50 years

ago my headmaster in a Durham

county pit village elementary school

solved the problem simply and

For half an hour each day it was the duty of two or three of us who

were good at reading to give individ-ual tuition to those of our fellow

pupils who had severe learning

difficulties. This system, which also

applied to a lesser degree to

arithmetic, meant that the majority

of the class was not held back but those who needed help received it.

if they do not know from where the

weapons are coming?

Mr Patten was also quoted as saying that "the use of firearms for

crime was extremely rare". Where has be been for the last two months?

The number of shootings in south

London has soured, and a police

sergeant is seriously injured in hos-

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Craven Arms, Shropshire. January 7.

Sir, In a leading article of January 4 Arabs out of their homes" in Jerusalem. I believe this not to be the Silwan area of the city were pur-'turning out" the residents.

It ought also to be borne in mind that a number of Jews lived in Silwan until they were driven out by the Arabs in the 1930s.

J. A. BRENNAN. St Clare, Sandfield Park. Liverpool 12.

From Professor Eric Birley. FBA

Weighing in

Sir. In pursuit of his campaign for

Yours faithfully, ERIC BIRLEY. Carvoran House, Greenhead, Via Carlisle. Cumbria. January 10.

Letters to the editor should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number -

ISLAM AND THE VOTER

Cancelling parliamentary elections, the almost certain consequence of President Chadli Bendjedid's resignation, is an odd way to preserve democracy. There can be no certainty that this constitutional feint, designed to fend off a stunning victory for Algeria's fundamentalist Islamic Salvation Front (FIS) in the second round of voting on Thursday, will prevent the "grave and imminent harm to national cohesion" he cited in announcing his demission. Many weapons seized from police during the 1988 riots which started Algeria down the path to de-mocracy were never recovered. The deployment of the army reflects awareness that FTS supporters could again take to the streets.

Nor, unless the party is banned, will it necessarily keep the FIS out of power. With the parliamentary elections put on hold, a people heartily sick of nearly 30 years under the corrupt and incompetent rule of the National Liberation Front (FLN) could show its displeasure by voting for the FIS candidate in presidential elections.

Yet this is not quite the onesided "coup against democracy" by the ruling FLN denounced by the FIS and other opposition figures. Mr Chadli, who brought in a new constitution guaranteeing freedom of speech, assembly and the right to form political parties in 1989, has been firmly committed to dismantling the FLN's monopoly on power. His mistake may have been to legalise the FIS in the first place. It is publicly dedicated to demolishing those rights, as well as rolling back most of the reforms intended to rid Algeria of its stultified command economy. Since the first round, its leaders have publicly revelled in "the defeat of

democracy, which is pure atheism". If, as expected, the FIS had won enough extra seats on Thursday to give it the twothirds majority needed to change the constitution, Algerians would have voted not merely for a change of party but for a change in the nature of the state. The evidence that this is what they want is not as compelling as the bare statistics of the first round, which gave the FIS 188 out of 232 seats won outright. suggest. More than 40 per cent of the electorate abstained. The quirks of constituency boundaries brought the FIS within 28 seats of a majority with the support of only 3.2 million out of Algeria's 13 million eligible

voters while the FLN, which held only 16 seats, polled 1.6 million votes.

The unpopularity of the ruling party is undeniable; and some of the allegations of vote-rigging and fraud, which have been cited in court challenges affecting 145 constituencies, are exaggerated. But some 900,000 electoral cards were lost and a million ballot papers were invalid, and there is some evidence that the FIS, which has controlled half Algeria's town halls since municipal elections in 1990, struck opponents off the electoral rolls.

In any country, those who seek to dismantle long entrenched one-party systems mount a tiger which is almost guaranteed to ride the old elites out of office. That has been the healthy consequence in almost all the new democracies in Africa, as in Eastern Europe. But the risks of an undemocratic outcome are vastly greater in the Islamic world, where under one-party dictatorships the mosques, the main centres of resistance, have channelled resentment against misrule into an attack on the impiousness of the

secular state as an institution. The FIS makes no bones about its view that there are only two parties, " the Party of God-and the party of the devil". Its leaders are pledged to outlaw any party not "based on the Koran". Since the first round last month, the FIS has published a manifesto committing it to introduce strict Islamic law in every sphere of Algerian life, to review relations with foreign creditors and outlaw usury, and to ban married women from most workplaces. Algeria's independent press will be free only "to defend the Islamic identity". And its extreme wing has ambitions to "spread the faith inside and outside the

country, either by persuasion or by terror". The argument for a breathing space to allow Algerians to consider the radical consequences of an FIS victory is thus strong. There is no place for kneelerk condemnation by foreign "liberals" of an outwardly retrograde step. The FIS has exploited freedoms for which it has nothing but contempt. The army, widely believed to be behind President Chadli's resignation, claims to be defending the liberal 1989 constitution. But it cannot defend it by military dictatorship. After slamming on the brakes. Algeria's leaders must now inch forward again.

FAILURE INADMISSABLE Like the boy who cried "wolf", commentators on the Urnguay Round of Gatt trade talks have prophesied final breakdown so often that when the warnings finally become relevant they could all too easily be ignored. This morning, the 108 nations belonging to Gatt will meet in Geneva for what has been billed as a "last chance" session, in which they will be called on to accept or reject the 450-page draft treaty drawn up last month by Gatt's director general, Arthur Dunkel. As Mr Dunkel makes plain in his Times interview today, the idea of trying to buily Gan's governments with a "take it or leave it" package, specifically designed to exclude the kind of "substantial modifications" demanded over the weekend by European Comm-

to Gait's mild-mannered diplomats. Mr Dunkel and his colleagues would have far preferred to stay in the background, offering advice on the obscure technicalities of international trade law. Their instinct, quite properly, was to leave the headline-grabbing political decisions to governments. But the irresponsible time-wasting of both the American and the EC negotiators left Mr Dunkel with no choice. Holding his nose, he

unity farm ministers, did not come naturally

had to do the politicians' job for them. The five years of buck-passing since the trade round was started have left the govemments of the world's trading nations with no real choice. All 108 must now accept Mr Dunkel's draft essentially as it stands, even if they find some of his proposals unacceptable. The alternative - for Europe, for America, for Japan and for the developing countries would be unqualified disaster. The real wolf

has finally come out of the forest. The main reason why time has run out was illustrated by President Bush's trip to Japan last week. As Mr Dunkel has pointed out, a Gatt agreement must be finalised and initialled by mid-April at latest if it is to avoid becoming embroiled in this year's US election campaign. The elections could turn into a plebiscite on free trade, and in the absence of a Gatt agreement which ties American business interests even more closely into the world trading system, the protectionists are all too likely to win.

In the EC, meanwhile, the Common Agricultural Policy - the world's most damaging and wasteful trade-distorting system - is finally coming up for radical overhaul. Gatt has been a spur. Breakdown of the global negotiations would hugely complicate the herculean task of starting to

drag European farming into the real world. But if the Gatt talks really have reached the eleventh hour, what are the chances of success? The prospects are better than might be inferred from the pugnacious posturing of European farm ministers. The EC's apparently impossible demands can actually be reduced to two technical issues: the treatment of roughly 4 million tons of European wheat currently dumped on the world market; and an exemption clause that would allow Brussels to go on supporting EC farmers provided its subsidies did not encour-

age production and distort world trade. With a modicum of common sense - and some minor concessions to American sensitivities in other parts of the agreement — it should be possible to resolve these issues without unravelling Mr Dunkel's draft text. But if the negotiators who meet today in Geneva cannot rapidly reach final agreement, Mr Dunkel must appeal to their political masters. A G7 summit, to deal with the Uruguay Round and nothing else, should then be called in short order. If the world trading system is to be ruined and the global economy plunged into depression, George Bush, Jacques Delors, John Major, Helmut Kohl, François Mitterrand et al must at least be forced to take personal blame.

NON NOBIS OPUS DEI

Every religion has its fundamentalists, zealots who take the precepts of faith to extremes. Rather than expel them, it is often wiser to keep such enthusiasts inside a broad Church, where their impact will be diluted by moderates or cancelled out by other realots. But the risk in seeking to contain them is that they try to take over the larger institution. In the eyes of its critics, Opus Dei is an

outstanding example of this risk. They see Opus Dei as a fanatical rightwing conspiracy trying to infiltrate and even control the Roman Catholic Church. If Opus Dei secures the canonisation of its founder, Josemaria Escriva, the organisation's prestige in the church is bound to increase, since to be founded by a saint, in Catholic eyes, is to be guaranteed God's blessing. In May, when Escriva is due to be beatified by the Pope, the last big bridge on his road to

sainthood will have been crossed. There is little about Opus Dei on which its friends and critics agree. It seems it is either godly or devilish. The humble sanctity (or morbid pride) of Escriva is the biggest point of contention, for Opus Dei's claims for its late founder are anything but modest. Opus Dei claims that Escriva founded the organisation in 1928 at the direct inspiration of God. He is known in its literature as "the Father", creating scope in its members' minds for confusion with God Himself.

Opus Dei's greatest strength has always been in Spain, and it also has powerful bases

in America, Germany, Italy, and parts of Latin America. Opus Dei came closest to political power when it provided several senior members of Franco's regime in its final stages. Escriva, who would have been more at home in medieval Spain than the 20th century, practised severe mortification of the flesh, lashing himself, according to one contemporary, "until the walls and ceiling were splashed with blood". Mortification is still a rule of membership. Little was changed by the reforms of the Second Vatican Council (1962-65): the organisation is still unashamedly elitist and internally authoritarian. Hypersensitive about any attack on its good name, it has often been accused of suppressing (or ensuring its friends in high places suppress) evidence harmful to the

cause of Escriva's canonisation in Rome. Since Vatican II the Roman Catholic Church has, thankfully, left behind the monolithic character of its ultramontane period. Within its boundaries it has become a plural society, stretching from New Rightists to old Marxists, from traditionalists to progressives. It should have room for Opus Dei, as for liberation theologians, but

that room is not the engine room. The canonisation of Escriva would demonstrate that Opus Dei has tentacles that stretch to the heart of the Vatican. Nothing would more discredit the canonisation process, while injuring the reputation of the Roman Catholic Church itself.

can be speeded

From Sir Frederick Lawton

Sir. Your article, "Victims of a trying system" (January 8), recalls Lord Lane's recent warning of "megatrials", such as the seven in London which seem likely to last between one month and six, not to mention some 20 lengthy civil cases. You reported on January 3 that Mr Asil Nadir has been charged with more than 70 offences and that his solicitors say that the next 12 months will be

needed to prepare his defence. What purpose is served by charging so many offences? Why should not the prosecution revert to the practice followed in the 1950s of putting into the indictment about six alleged offences, choosing those easiest to prove and spacing them out over the period of alleged dishonest conduct? Whenever Lord Goddard was faced with a long indictment he used to say to prosecuting counsel: "Choose your best six counts; the

others can remain on the file." During those years I was briefed in many long fraud cases at the Old Bailey. Most lasted about three weeks, the longest, the State Building Society case, six weeks. That was by far the most complicated case I was ever concerned with either as bar-

rister or as a judge.
When there has been a criminal enterprise justice does not require that every dishonest act should be identified and punished. To do so, and then to make the sentences consecutive, would be bad sentencing practice. What tends to happen, with the approval of the Court of Appeal, is for a severe sentence to be imposed on one count and for the sentences on the others to be made CONCULTEDE

Yours truly, FREDERICK LAWTON, I The Village, Skelton, York,

January 8.

Muslims in Britain

From the Reverend D. R. J.

Holloway Sir, The debate over the issues raised by the "Muslim parliament" would be helped if we could be assured of all the facts. The media over the last few days (your report, January 7) have spoken of two million Muslims in Britain. So, in a radio interview last Sunday, did Angela Rumbold of the Home Office. Where does this figure come from?

The current edition of British Social Attitudes (eighth report, gives 0.9 per cent of the population that "regard themselves as belonging" to Islam and 0.1 per cent whose family is Muslim but no longer consider themselves as such. On a population of 57.5 million (the 517.500 Muslims in Britain or

575,000 including the lapsed. Social Trends 21 (HMSO, 1991) gives a figure of one million Muslims. This however comes from the UK Christian Handbook and a complex computation based on the proportion of Muslims in the popula-

tion of the countries of origin. We have had no religious census since 1851. The safest figures to go on probably are from opinion polls and social surveys. These consistently give figures for all the non-Christian faiths of 3 per cent or less. Mori, for example, last March gave a figure of 2.2 per cent for all the non-Christian faiths, with 1 per cent being Muslim. But the media and the Home Office are now suggesting that Muslims alone make up 3.5 per cent of the population. This contrasts with Iobal Wahhab, in his pamphlet Muslims in Britain (1989), who,

also computing from country of origin, gives a figure of 1.7 per cent. If we averaged Social Trends and the social survey figures and said the Muslim population was more like three quarters of a million, would that not be more responsible?

Yours faithfully, DAVID HOLLOWAY, 7 Otterburn Terrace. Newcastle upon Tyne, Tyne and Wear. January 12.

Dental care

From the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Health

Sir. The new contract for dentists was designed to do just what Mr Nayler, the dentist you interviewed (report, January 8) wants - to replace the "drill and fill" of the years after 1948 by looking after people's

mouths so as to prevent problems. Over 21 million adults and children are now registered with NHS dentists. The adults receive continuing care and the dentist is paid for this. Children's care is provided through a capitation system designed to encourage treatment to conserve teeth. I have no doubt that this will further improve the high standard of dental health in this country, which is better than among

almost all our European neighbours. The vast majority of dentists still work within the NHS. In most parts of the country there is not the slightest difficulty in obtaining NHS dental treatment, and if anyone has a problem steps will be taken where necessary to improve the situation.

Yours truly. HOOPER, Department of Health. Richmond House, 79 Whitehall, SW1. January 8.

The courts' work Ways to lessen reading difficulties

From Mrs Penny Rose

Sir. It is very encouraging to see (report and leading article, January 4) that the government is at last taking an interest in the New Zealand reading recovery progranune.

I, like many colleagues teaching the Royal Society of Arts diploma course for teachers of pupils with specific learning difficulties (dyslexia), have for long advocated Professor Marie Clay's diagnostic assessment and teaching methods ("On the road to recovery", Edu-

cation Times, January 6). In New Zealand failing readers are given individual tuition from their sixth birthday. Evidence shows that most go on to become good readers.

If the recovery programme were established in Britain, teachers trained on the 30-odd RSA diploma courses in a variety of methods would be able to concentrate on teaching the hard core of pupils with intractable literacy difficulties, rather than vast numbers of poor readers of all ages, most of whom might have overcome their difficulties had funding been available for individual help

at an early age. Yours faithfully, PENNY ROSE, Amersham and Wycombe College, Beilfeld House, Oxford Road, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire.

January 6. From Professor T. R. Miles

Sir. The recent interest shown by politicians in reading standards is much to be welcomed. May I, however, put in a plea for those individuals (possibly up to 10 per cent of the population) who because of their physical make-up are late at learning to read, remain slow at absorbing printed symbols, and have difficulty with spelling and elementary calculation?

In other areas, such as engineering, art, architecture and - of

Shoot to kill chance have the police of ever disarming the criminal community

From Mr L. S. N. Jamleson Sir, Your report, "Police defend shooting ..." (January 3), quotes John Patten, the Home Office minister, as saying that existing gun laws were "already the toughest in Europe and it would prove difficult to impose

a total ban".
Our laws are extremely rigorous for those who wish to own firearms legally, but criminals are already outside the scope of the licensing system and an estimate of up to four million illegal firearms in this country (The Times, January 7, 1988) provides a more than adequate pool

on which they can draw.

Jerry Wiggin, MP, tabled a question to the Home Office on January 10, 1990, about the source of firearms recovered from criminals and was informed that there is no cen-

trally collected information. What National TV archive

From Mr Roger James Sir. Central Independent Television is exploring with Oxford University the establishment in Oxford of a

Centre for Television History. This will not duplicate the British Film Institute's archive of television programmes (letter, January 2). It will be an archive of research information and film footage derived from the making of major documentary programmes. It will thus provide for academic researchers, and perhaps future programmemakers, an invaluable record and

library of unedited interviews and Sullivan and Gilbert

From Mr Andrew Crowther Sir, Ian Bradley's article (January 4) on the coming 150th anniversary of the birth of Sir Arthur Sullivan begins in an unlucky way by contending that Sullivan was "almost as prolific" a composer as Mozart - which seems to place unacceptable strain on the meaning of the word "almost". According to my rough reckoning Sullivan wrote 289 separate pieces, 115 of them songs, which is dwarfed alongside

Mozart's 600-plus works. Dr Bradley adds that Sullivan is "arguably our most famous composer": but surely when we think of English composers the names that spring to mind are Elgar, Vaughan Williams, Walton and Purcell? Sullivan is almost invariably left out or assigned to a footnote in such lists. I

Murder in Angola From the Ambassador of the People's Republic of Angola

Sir, Your report, "Holiday firms steer clear of hazards in Angola", January 6) asserts that Angola is "a country without a government" and refers to "the demise of the socialistbacked government of the ... MPLA". Anyone familiar with my country, particularly the ongoing peace process, would know that the government continues in office and that, under the terms of the Bicesse peace agreement signed by the government and Unita in May 1991, Unita recognises President Josè Eduardo dos Santos as head of state and government until multiparty general elections scheduled for

The reference to the ability of "the regime of the former guerrilla leader Dr Jonas Savimbi" to restructure the economy is therefore irrelevant. It should be pointed out that legislation

next September.

January 4. introduced by the government aims at establishing a mixed economy. slimming down the state sector and providing incentives for private

investment. That there should be instability in a country subjected to war since its independence is hardly surprising. The appalling murder of British citizens on January 3 at Quilenges, in an area controlled by Unita, is being investigated by the Angolan authorities. My government made protracted diplomatic efforts to achieve an end to the internal conflict which has caused so many deaths and so much suffering and economic destruction. It will continue to do its utmost to ensure peace and calm and guarantee that there shall be no

Yours truly, JOSÉ GÚERREIRO ALVES PRIMO. Embassy of the People's Republic of Angola. 98 Park Lane, W1. January 9.

more tragic loss of life.

Crucial question particular interest in the future - computer programming, such in-

on farmland use From Mr Nicholas Woolley

dividuals may sometimes be exceptionally talented. Branding them as Sir, In his address to the Oxford farming conference (report. January "failures" because they are unsuccessful at meeting targets set by 7) the prime minister posed a the literate and numerate is no way question of crucial importance to the future well-being of the countryside: It is therefore essential that there "Do we really need to offer as much should be a climate of opinion in protection to farmland now that we which "tests" are seen, not as things have surpluses?"

With the new planning guidance on rural enterprises expected out later this month his remarks could

not have been more timely.

Deciding what we should do with the millions of acres no longer likely to be needed for food production is one of the key questions of our time. Simply allowing such land to fall into dereliction is no solution. We must not repeat the mistakes of the 1930s. Nor can we look for salvation to less intensive farming methods at a time when common agricultural policy reform, pressures from the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and the opening up of Eastern Europe are forcing farmers to become more, not less, efficient.

Overwhelmingly, therefore, the need is to find positive uses for surplus farmland. Forestry has a key role to play here, particularly as we are virtually the least afforested country in Europe. But the prime minister is absolutely right in saying that we must face up to the need to allow some of this surplus land to be made available for sensible, controlled development that provides the homes, jobs, affordable transport and other services that are so badly

needed in many rural areas. The response to the prime minister's question, therefore, must not be a desperate defence of every square foot of surplus farmland or redundant farm buildings from development. Instead it should be a firm determination to ensure that necessary new development - whether it be the conversion of a cow shed or the creation of a new village - is carried out in a controlled and environmentally sound way and to the very highest standards.

Yours faithfully.
NICHOLAS WOOLLEY (President, Rural Practice Division). The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. 12 Great George Street, SW I.

January 8. Poisonous clouds

From Mr John Osborne

pital, having been shot (reports, December 20, January 9). Armed crime seems to be getting out of control in this country and the Sir. Since you kindly published my letter (December 26), realising that it was not an idle complaint about police, instead of spending so much time monitoring the activities of choice of cigarenes or smoking itself. legitimate marksmen and hunters. but a hopeless, figurative tilt at the would be better occupied fighting outrages of "Europeanism", avidly connived at by those in power and those anticipating it, my front doormat has been buried beneath exdespair. They have come from dozens of countries, including those in the continental EC. Some speak a associated materials much of which defiant courage, but most match my is never included in the final proown apprehension of inexorable

defeat. Still, with many of them, have Central and the university are at arrived huge parcels of consoling, yes, Turkish cigarentes, many from an early stage of the joint venture; but it is envisaged that in due course Turkey itself, with promises of an enduring supply, which will probthe project should be under the direction of an independent trust on

ably last me out. Civis Britannicus sum no longer, but I may at least, puff delicious, poisonous clouds of vaporous contempt into rings, proclaiming: God rot the powers of Brussels and Westminster - and to hell with

Burgundy. Yours sincerely. JOHN OSBORNE. The Hurst. Clunton,

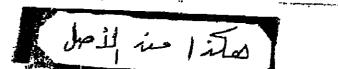
of reputation which the Savoy operas Homes in Jerusalem are suffering at the moment. This is

From Mr J. A. Brennan you write of Jewish "zealots turning case. A number of houses in the chased perfectly legally by Jews recently, and some of the purchasers moved into these houses. While this may not have been tactful, it was legal, and cannot be represented as

Yours faithfully,

air tickets to be costed by passenger weight Matthew Parris (" ... and moreover". January 6) may like to know that when I was due to travel to Cairo for M114. my War Office department, in October 1941, the RAF gave me a weight allowance of 220 lbs. including myself. For light reading I was only able to take with me an India paper copy of Virgil.

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Loughlin and Dame Florence Han-

cock as the third woman member of

the TUC general council. Women

minority on the general council for the rest of her working life, and even

leader of her own union, women

delegates at the Trades Union Con-

gress were still speaking ruefully of the

meagre handful of us" - there were

30 women out of 1,000 delegates.

When she became chairman of the

TUC in 1961, in succession to the

she was only the third woman to preside over a TUC annual confer-

ence, her predecessors being Dame

Anne Loughlin and Dame Florence

Hancock. Her presidential address,

which was generally hailed as a fine.

fighting performance, was largely de-

voted to her favourite topic, educa-

tion, in which she deplored a state

system which concentrated its re-

sources on the 25 per cent of children who got into grammar schools, at the

expense of the majority who had to

make do with the secondary modern

system of that era. She complained of

a concentration on vocational educa-

tion at an early age, at the expense of a

broader, liberal education and

warned that it was creating divisive

cultural barriers between classes

which threatened great harm to the

She retired from the TUC general

council in 1963 after 14 years of pioneering work, but her "retire-

ment" was an active one. She had always had the widest interests both

inside and outside the TUC. She was a

member of the Central Advisory

Council for Education and was a

signatory to the Crowther report, 15

to 18; she served on the Carr-

Saunders committee on education

and commerce and for ten years in the

1950s served as adviser to the British

worker representative at ILO confer-

ences in Geneva. From 1962 to 1968

she was a governor of the BBC and from 1963 to 1969 she was a full-time

member of the Industrial Court. She

was also a tireless worker for the Mary

Macarthur educational trust, raising

funds to provide opportunities for

further education for working

women. She had been appointed

OBE in 1952 and was created DBE

In retirement she lived at Worcester

Park, Surrey, where she shared a house with her sister, a senior civil servant. Her sister predeceased her.

nation.

in 1962.

OBITUARIES

Dame Anne Godwin, DBE, general

secretary of the Clerical and Admin-

istrative Workers' Union, 1956-62.

and chairman of the TUC, 1961-62,

died on January 11 aged 94. She was born in July 1897.

ALTHOUGH in her youth Anne

Godwin had fought for the vote for

women, she was not what in these

days would be regarded as an extreme

feminist. Her sympathies were catho-lic and prevented her from becoming

narrowly strident. That did not mean

that she could not espouse any cause

she believed in with passion. Passion-

ate she could certainly be and in her

trade union work on behalf of both

men and women she allied this with

an inner toughness which made her a

formidable negotiator. But these qualities were always tempered by an

essentially moderate viewpoint and,

above all, by a sense of humour.

Indeed, in her dealings with her

colleagues her readiness to see a joke

was regarded as slightly unusual by

She had such a pleasant and gentle

personality that she was, sometimes,

not detectable on first ecounter as the

resolute leader of 60,000 office work-

ers. In the male-dominated world of

organised labour of her day, her

headmistressy looks and bearing

caused the doorman of more than one

conference hotel to look on with

amazement bordering on concern as

she walked through its portals into a

scrimmage of hard-drinking, tough-

talking union leaders. But her mental

qualities - she was reckoned to have

one of the sharpest and best-read

minds in the TUC - commanded

respect from both male and female

colleagues; the former always made

room for her in their councils. These

qualities apart, the key factor in her

success was her determination. This

expressed itself in her belief that the

women's struggle was not just a mat-

ter of a fight for equal pay but for equality of opportunity and responsi-

Beatrice Anne Godwin was born at

Farncombe, Surrey, and was educat-

ed at the British School, Bridge Road,

Godalming. She left at 15 and began

her working life as a counting house

clerk in a West End store, earning 5s

for a six-day week, working from 9am

until 7pm. At sales time the working

day lengthened to 10pm, with a free

supper as payment for the overtime.

In 1916 she moved to the Army Pay

Office as a civilian clerk. Her pay was

Sir William Barker, KCMG.

OBE, British ambassador to

Czechoslovakia, 1966-68,

and Bowes professor of Rus-

sian at Liverpool University.

1969-76, died on January 8

the men among them, at that time.



COURT CIRCULAR

SANDRINGHAM January 12: Divine Service was held in Sandringham Parish

Church this morning. The Bishop of preached the sermon.

Her Majesty presented The Queen's Gold Medal of Academic Excellence at King Edward VII's School, King's Lynn, to Mr Graham Hart, who was introduced into Her Majesty's resence by Mr M. J. Walker, Headmaster,

BUCKINGHAM PALACE January 11: The Duke of York,

Exploring Society, this afternoon attended an audio-visual presentation at the Royal Geographical Society in London. Captain Alexander Baillie Hamilton was in attendance.

The Prince Edward, Patron. this evening attended a concert by the City of Birmingham Sym-phony Orchestra in Symphony Hall, International Convention Centre, Birmingham.

His Royal Highness was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for the West Midlands (The Earl of Aviestord). Lieutenant Colonel Sean

Forthcoming marriages

Mr T.S.H. Beard

and Miss P.A. Hitching The engagement is announced between Tom, younger son of the late Mr C.H. Beard and of Mrs P.A. Beard, of Chiswick, London, and Polly, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.F. Hitching, of

Mr P.G.W. Beart and Miss C.L. Beasley

The engagement is announced between Pilgrim, elder son of Mr and Mrs C.J.J. Beart, of Fulbourn, Cambridgeshire, and Claire, only daughter of Mr A. Beasley, of Sawtry, Peterborough, and Mrs J. Barry, of Woodstock,

Mr R.J. Boyd and Miss S. Pyon

The engagement is announced between Rupert, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Robin Boyd, of Killavullen, Co Cork, and Shanne, elden daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Pyott, of Cape Town, South Africa.

Mr A. Branero

and Miles D. Sames. The engagement is announced between Anthony, son of Mr R. Brunero and Mrs P. Brunero, and Deborah, daughter of Mr M. Battsek and Mrs G. Hamilton.

Mr J.C. Barchell and Miss C.E. Edney

The engagement is announced between Jonathan Charles, only son of Dr and Mrs G. Burchell, of Shenfield, Essex, and Caroline Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs J. Edney, of Bridgwater.

Mr D. Ferguson

and Miss A.M. Barkes The engagement is announced between Dominic, younger son of Mr and Mrs Graham Ferguson. of Chithurst. Rogate, Hampshire and Alexandra Maria, elder daughter of Mr Geoffrey Barkes. of Kirkheaton, Northumberland, and Mrs Peter Vaughan, of Tranwell Woods, Morpeth, Northumberland.

Mr R.C.P.R. Gordon

and Miss K.E. Monon The engagement is announced between Roderick, son of Colonel John Gordon, of Southwell, Nottinghamshire, and Mrs Jean Gordon, of Buriton, Hampshire. and Katharine, younger daughter of the late Mr George Morton and of Mrs Patricia Morton, of West Derby, Liverpool.

Mr P.J. Griffin and Miss A.M. Jones

The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mr and Mrs Christopher Griffin, of Wilmone. Warwickshire, and Alison Owen. only daughter of Mrs Peggy nes, of Northwood, Middlesex. and the late Mr Edwin Owen Jones, of Auckland, New Zealand.

Mr J. Hanwell

The engagement is announced between John, eldest son of Dr and Mrs I.W. Hanwell, of Bahrain, and Caroline Elizabeth. youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.W. Tidd, of Tidebrook,

The engagement is announced between Craig, son of Mr and Mrs Bryan Holden, of Solihull, and Lisa, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Roy Bryant, of Essex and Hong Kong.

The Hon Richard Vincent

Holme and Miss C.E. Holman The engagement is announced between Richard Vincent twin son of Lord and Lady Holme of Cheltenham, Lurgashall, near Perworth, West Sussex, and Caroline Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Holman, of Hazlemere, Buckinghamshire,

MrJJ. Kynge and Miss LB,M. Cavender

The engagement is announce en James. son of Major and Mrs J.J. Kynge, of Pono Grange, Pono, North Yorkshire, and Lucy, youngest daughter of Mr D.A. Cavender, of The Manor House, Dowlish Wake, Sometset, and Mrs J. C. Neubauer, of Smallcombe House, Bath.

Mr R.E. Oglivy Watson and Miss O.M.A. McCormack

The engagement is announced between Robert, son of Mr and Mrs D.E. Ogilvy Warson, of Newtownmountkennedy, Eire, and Conagh, younger daughter of the late Dr P. McCormack and of Mrs Nigel Fawcett, of Wollaton, Nottingham.

Mr D.T. Owen and Miss E. Cox

The engagement is announced between David, son of Dr and Mrs John Owen, of Seaborough, hter of Mr Andrew Cox, of Westminster, London, and Mrs Carol Cox, of

Mr S.F.C. Ross Skinner and Miss A.S.H. Nortis

The engagement is announced between Simon, youngest son of Mr H.J.C. Ross Skinner, of Warmwell, Dorset, and Mrs G.R. Ross Skinner, of Easton, Hampshire, and Alexandra, only daughter of Professor J.W. Norris and Mrs M.H. Norris, of Toronto, Canada, and Caputh.

The Hon P.R. Seariett and Man S.E. Turi

The engagement is announced between Peter Richard, younger son of Lord and Lady Abinger, of Clees Hall, Bures, Suffolk, and Sharon Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs Derek Turk of Exeter, Devon.

Dr W.S.A. Smellie and Miss G.C. Aikin

The engagement is announced between Stuart, son of the late Professor Martin Smellie and of Mrs Florence Smellie, of Glasgow, and Gillian, daughter of Mr Ronald Aikin, of Beverly Hills, California, and Mrs Michael Driver, of Kensington,

RSC aids arts centre

THE Royal Shakespeare Company has joined the battle to save the Sturts arts centre near Bod-min Moor. Cornwall, said to be the largest of its kind in Britain (Simon Tait writes).

Sturts faces closure if Caradon district council fails to approve an interim grant of £30,000 when it meets next month.

Last week the RSC made its first

appearance in Cornwall, under the aegis of Sturts, at Liskeard near by, performing Measure for Measure and The Blue Angel. directed by Trevor Nunn. Jo Beddoes, the tour organiser,

said. "We are here because we want to promote ourselves in the region, but also to promote Sturts

and inform the community about well for us - we are virtually sold out for the week - and we want to be able to make it a regular venue. But there is no professional theatre venue in Cornwall and without Sturts it is hard to see how we could make a return visit."

The centre, founded ten years ago on a former pig farm, has a debt of £200,000 which it will be unable to meet without the help of the district council, which

formulating its first arts policy.
Facilities include an art galle and an outdoor theatre but if the interim grant is approved an indoor theatre and an expansion on a further 11 acres is planned.

Nature notes

BRAMBLINGS are feeding on beech mast where it lies in the trees: they are like very orange challinches with a white rump. Most of them come here for the winter from Norway and Sweden. They often roost with chaffinches but the two species rarely feed together because the chaffinches bill is not sharp enough to get beech seeds out of their husks.

Fieldfares and redwings have practically finished the hawthorn berries now and are going out into the open fields. Wood pi-geons are cooing occasionally: when they fly out of the tree in the for the usual clatter of their wings sounds more like a drumbeat. Birch trees have short stiff catkins often growing in threes like a bird's front toes. There are

two kinds of birch in Britain - the

familiar silver birch with its very

white bark and drooping

branches, and the hairy birch,



has greyer bark and boughs that point upwards.

Lesser periwinkle is an ever-green plant that flourishes through the winter: its dark green leaves are often found against a fence at country railway stations. and even at this time of year a purple flower can sometimes be

unrivalled contacts among

slovaks in the streets vainly tried to defy the advancing Russian armour, many hundreds of British exparriates

Birthdays today

SIR WILLIAM BARKER

now 16s a week, but with the war

prices were soaring too and some of

the women working in the office formed themselves into a deputation

and went to ask the Army Paymaster

for more money. They did not get it, being thoroughly shouted down in the process. But this experience planted a

seed of inner resistance in Miss God-

win's mind which germinated into a

determination to do something prac-

tical about trade unionism after the

Moving to an engineering office in 1920, she joined the Association of

Women Clerics and Secretaries and in

1928 became its organiser. In 1941

she became its assistant general secre-

tary but very soon the union merged

with the National Union of Clerks, the

new body taking the title of Clerical

aged 82. He was born on July 19, 1909. WILLIAM Barker once described himself as a "rather anonymous person". In 1968, however, he occupied organised. centre stage - or came as close as any diplomat can to

doing so. The casting was unusually apposite. As Soviet tanks moved in to bring the socalled "Prague spring" to its stormy end. Britain's envoy in the Czechoslovak capital was a Slavonic specialist and scholar in his own right with

the local people. Not that his duties were entirely diplomatic. As a signal reached the embassy in the early hours of August 21 that the Warsaw Pact was invading the territory of its own ally, Barker ordered that the embassy should become a British refuge.

While brave young Czecho-

tourists and businessmen among them - crowded into the embassy cinema and club. For days they camped out on chairs like strikebound holidaymakers at Heathrow while Barker's wife, Margaret, with her daughter and son-in-law helped the staff to provide them with coffee and ham sandwiches — until their evacuation could be

The events of 1968 provided a dramatic close to a distinguished diplomatic career for Bill Barker. He retired from the foreign service later that year to return to academic life at Liverpool University. where he had started out some 40 years before.

Born at Leigh. Lancashire, where his father had once owned a bakery, he went to Liverpool from Leigh Grammar School and took a first class degree in Russian studies. Unable to go on to the Soviet Union, he went instead to Czechoslovakia where he was taught by Russian emigrès in Prague. He also learned Czech and took a doctorate at the local Charles University.

Barker remained there teaching for a number of years, returning to this coun-

Guardian. The Confirmation ser-

vice will be conducted by The

Lord Bishop of Rochester at Rochester Cathedral on Friday, March 6. The school play will be performed on Sanarday, March

28. Term ends on Sunday, March

The Lent Term commences today

at Forest School. The Confirma

tion Service, to be taken by the

Bishop of Barking, will be held on March 22, 1992. Advanced

notice is given of a Reunion in

Forest School

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DAME ANNE GODWIN

try shortly before the outbreak of the second world war. He then joined the Intelligence Corps, serving as a liaison officer with the Czechosłovak army in exile. developing many of the contacts which were to serve him so well in later years.

In 1943 he was seconded to the Foreign Office and in the spring of 1945 returned to Prague, this time as a first secretary in the embassy which he helped to re-open at the end of the war. Much of his subsequent career was spent in Eastern Europe.

He was transferred to Moscow in 1947, was promoted ceeded to Osio in 1951, to Boston, Mass. as consul-general in 1954 and after that to the embassy in Washington. In 1956 his ability as a Russian linguist was recog-

and Administrative Workers' Union.

She continued as the new union's

assistant general secretary until 1956

when she took over the top job. At that

time she was the only woman holding

such a position in a union catering for

both men and women and only the

As head of a cierical union one of

her chief concerns was what she saw

as "the lowered status of the clerk in

the scheme of things" and she particu-

larly deplored the effects of an educa-

tion system which encouraged girl

cieries to be able to type flawlessly but deprived them of a general education

which might encourage more initia-

tive. From her earliest days she was an

ardent advocate of day release

In 1949 she joined Dame Anne

schemes to help remedy this defect.

second to have done so.

nised by his selection as chief interpreter during the visit to Britain by Bulganin and Krushchev. He served as minister in Moscow between 1960 and 1963, returned to the United States for a 12month sabbatical at Harvard, then after three years in the Foreign Office became ambassador in Prague in

The timing was doubly fortuitous. That year saw the rehabilitation of those military leaders who had previously been reviled by the communist regime for remaining in the West during the war. In consequence, when Barker arrived in Prague he found many of his old wartime contacts in positions of some influence in the capital.

Given his specialised knowledge of the country and his mastery of its language and culture, this meant that he was not only in the right place but was there at the right time to observe the rise and fall of the communist reformer Alleast of his responsibilities during the next two years was the briefing of dozens of British journalists who flocked

This expertise on Czechoslovakian affairs did not endear him to the country's political hardliners. In 1970 the communist party newspaper Rude Pravo denounced him as an alleged agent of the British secret service, while the Russians accused him of conspiring to help Dubcek.

By this time, however, Barker had returned to his first discipline, as Bowes professor of Russian at Liverpool. His predecessor in Prague, the late Sir Cecil Parrott, had earlier re-crossed the same

bridge to teach at Lancaster. Mild in manner, a reflective, donnish diplomat, one of Barker's strengths had been the rapport he had struck with his staff within the embassy. The same characteristics now stood him in equal stead as he readjusted to academic life. He retired from

Liverpool at the age of 67. Sir William Barker is survived by his wife, Margaret, whom he married in 1939, and by their daughter and

his appointment as Head Boy

CANON LESLIE WILSON

The Rev Canon Leslie Wilson, honorary dean of Geraldion, Western Australia, and former archdeacon were to remain as a fragment of a of Carpentaria, Queensland, died on December 29 aged 82. He was born on July 19, in 1956, the year of her becoming

LESLIE Wilson masterminded the building of two cathedrals, St Thomas's, Kuching, Sarawak, and Holy Cross Cathedral, Geraldton, Western Australia. They reflect a hecgravel-voiced boilermaker, Ted Hill. tic life of far horizons which took Wilson from his quiet birthplace near Durham to the Far East, to Australasia and then back again - to a village not far from the point from which he had started. He had his sorrows, however. his mother's death within days of giving birth to him. an unhappy first marriage, ill-health and a period of doubt over his church.

He was the youngest of a vicar's four sons. An elder brother. John Leonard Wilson, became Bishop of Singapore and then of Birmingham. Tortured by the Japanese during the war, the bearded Bishop of Birmingham", as the late Richard Dimbleby dubbed him, was a familiar figure at the annual festivals of remembrance in the Albert

Hall until his death in 1970. Leslie Wilson read theology at Durham, but left without a degree and moved to Edinburgh Theological College. After an assistant priesthood in Edinburgh he was rector of Fort William, 1938-42, and Canon of Argyll and the Isles,

He then entered a period of spiritual crisis. Always a high Anglican, he converted to Roman Catholicism. By now married, though unhappily, he was clearly barred from becoming a priest in his new Church, so worked as an education officer in Scotland. Then just after the war he joined his brother in Singapore, on the staff of Toc H under South East Asia Courrenand

Wilson missed the life of a parish priest, however, and was persuaded by his brother to return to the Anglican Church - as vicar of Malacca, Malaya, 1946-50. He left again to become principal probation officer for Malaya vicer of Kuching, 1952-55. During this time he super vised the construction of St Thomas's, of which he was provost and canon for four

more years. . He travelled to Western Australia in 1960, first as rector of Geraldton, 90 miles north of Penth. There he largely repeated his Kuching experience, becoming so deeply involved in the new Holy Cross cathedral that the interior decoration and stained glass all reflect his preferences.

He was made dean of the cathedral, 1964-66, and administrator of the vast diocese which it served. He then became archdeacon of Carpentaria, Queensland, but the sub-tropical climate did not agree with him and he later returned to England.

He served for two years as vicar of Winterborne Stickland Dorset before going to his home county as vicar of Holmside. In retirement he lived briefly in Cornwall, before moving back to Co Durham. Though he separated from

his first wife, they were never divorced. She died in 1980 and four years later he married Mrs Margaret Nunns, who survives him.

Middle Temple Inns of Court Studentships 1992-

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Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Jan van Goyen, land-scape painter, Leiden, The Netherlands, 1596.

DEATHS: Edmund Spenser. poet, London, 1599; George Fox, founder of the Society of Friends, London, 1674; Stephen Collins Foster, song writer, New York, 1864: Wyatt Earp, American marshal, 1929; James Joyce, novelist, Zurich, 1941.

Ine life barony conferred on Sir Michael Mustill on his appointment as a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary has been gazened by the name, style and title of Baron Mustill, of Pateky Bridge in the County of North Yorkshire.

School announcements

Mr Craigle Aitchison, painter, 66; Air Marshal Sir John Baker-Carr. 86; Sir Johannes Bjelke-Bedford School Petersen, former Premier of Queensland, 81: Mr Richard

The Easter Term begins today with 1,110 boys in the School. Blackford, composer, 38; Mr Michael Bond, author and cre-Head of School, Andrea ator of Paddington Bear, 66: Dr Sydney Brenner, CH, molecular biologist, 65: Sir John Caines, civil servant, 59: Lady Donaldson Gomarsall is Captain of Hockey and Robert Perry. Captain of Boats. Bedford School Choral Society will perform Mozart's Requiem in the Great Hall on of Kingsbridge, author. 85; the Earl of Essex, 72. Sunday, March 15, at 7,30pm. Mr Stephen Glover, former editor, The Independent on Sun-day. 40: Mr Stephen Hendry, Bromsgrove School

School convenes today at Bromsgrove for the Lent Term. snooker player, 13; Mr Olaf Lambert, former vice-president, The Open Mornings are on January 16 for 7+ to 12+ entry to the Lower School, January 25 for 13+ entry and on February 1 for AA. 67: Mr Ronan Rafferty. golfer, 28; Mr Harry Roach, non-executive chairman, Sunrise Television, 58; Mr Bernard 6th Form entry. The Choral Shrimsley, journalist, 61; Mr. Society will perform African K.C. Turpiri, former vice-chan-Sanctus in Birmingham Town cellor. Oxford University, 77: Hall on March 20. The Careers Fair is on March 25 after which

term ends. Today's royal Cobham Hail The Spring term begins today. engagement Pamela Kemsley continues as The

The Princess of Wales, as Patron of British Red Cross Youth, will attend a luncheon at the Lanesborough Hotel, SWI, at

Party

Lord Willis, 74.

Lord Mayer The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress entertained at a lancy dress party at Guildhall on Sat-urday children connected with the City, the Diplomatic Corps, the Livery Companies, HM Armed Forces and London boroughs.

September for Old Foresters who left School between 1967 and 1972. Details will be announced later. Any Old Forester who is not on the mailing list should contact the Warden's Secretary.

Malvern College

The Lent Term at Malvern College begins today. Half Term Exeat is from February 15 to 18. A service of Confirmation will be held in the College Chapel on February 23. Examinations for the Sixth Form Scholarships takes place on February 21 and 22. and the Entrance Scholarship examinations take place from February 24 to 26. The Music Scholarship examination is from February 3 to 5, and that for Art on February 23. The Lower Sixth will spend the week beginning February 10. away from the College on Work Experience. The Ledbury Run takes place on March 24. The Combined Choral Societies of the College and Malvern Girls' College will per-form David Fanshawe's African Sanctus in the Winter Gardens on Friday, March 27. Term ends on March 28.

Mariborough College

The Lent Term at Marlborough College begins today. Mrs Rose-mary Groves joins as a second Deputy Head. Mr John Iveson succeeds Mr Robert Peel as Head of Wind. and Mr Nicholas Parks joins as the new master in charge of Outdoor Activities. During Mr R.T. Sanderson's sabbatical term Mr John Franklin becomes ActRoger Thomas joins for one term to teach Geography. Christian Johansen (B2) becomes Senior Prefect. Adam Morane-Griffiths Pretect. Adam Morane-Griffiths (C1) Captain of School, Rachel Pooley (Elmhurst) Captain of Lacrosse and Michelle Chan (Turner House) Captain of Netball. Confirmation by the Bishop of Salisbury will be on Sunday, March 8. Club Day will be on Sunday, March 8. Club Day will be on Sunday. be on Sunday. March 15, when the Penny Reading will be a performance of Oh What a Lovely War!. The orchestral concert will be on Sunday, March I and the Choral Society concert will be a performance of Mendelssohn's Elijah on March 22. Exeat is from February 20 to 25 and term

Mouisford Preparatory School

ends on March 27.

The Spring Term begins at Moulsford Preparatory School today. Oliver Trethewey is head boy, Michael Burroughs, captain of rugby football and Philip Wyan, captain of sevens. Per-Christian Rae is leader of the orchestra and Neil Fisher is head charister. There will be a Musical Evening on Friday and Saturday. March 27 and 28. Tickets avail able from the School and all proceeds to go to the Charlotte Starmer-Smith Memorial Fund. Term ends on Thursday, April 2.

St Edmund's College, Ware Lent Term begins today with R.A. James (Challoner) taking up

Examinations are on January 25 1992, with the Music Scholarship on January 18, 1992. The tenth annual Half Marathon is on March 22. The Junior School March 22. The Junior School production of lolanthe is on March 26-28. The Annual Gamekerper and Countryman Fair will be on April 4 and 5. The CCF Adventurous Training Expedition will be from April 20-26 in the Peak District. Term ends on April 4, 1992. Wellingborough School

borough School begins today and ends on Friday, March 27. The Rev B.T. Lyons joins the staff as Chaplain, coming from the parish

of Christ Church. St Albans. Auditions for music scholarships will be on February 24. Performances of Iolanthe will be given on March 18-21. Oxford and Cambridge OW dinners will be held on February 7 (Brasenose College) and February 28 (Clare College), and the London OW dinner is at Lord's on March 13.

The Lent Term at Welling-

Church news Charth is Wales Diocese of Bangor

The Rev Canon Richard Llewelyn Owen. Canon Missioner and Vicar in the Rectorial Benefice of Bangor, has been appointed Rural Dean of Arion Deanery.

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	the late-Li-Cal Mark Dutor; Sigs. and dearly loved more er, grandmother; and gra- grandmother. Funeral: Se vice at 'St Albans. Colde

lich at 2pm and committee at St Michael's West Hill Ottery St Mary on Monday January 20th at 2pm. January 20th at 2pts.

HADDAD - On January 8th, peacefully in Graysholi, Nelly Haddad Inde Bersill, beloved mother, gradingther, and gradingth tel: (0428) 604426.

#ABDOCK - On January 9th, at the Oak Creet Norsing Home, Leeds and of Virginia Water. Surney. Margaret (formerty of the Ministry of Labour), a dearly Joved sister, aumi and Effect. Funeral service and committel will take place at 5t Matthew's Church, Leeds, on Friday January 17th at 12.30 pm prior to private cremation. Flowers may be sent to the private chapets of Wm. Dodgson & Son. Ivi: 105.321 498.849 where enquiriss may be made or # preterred donations may be given to charity.

DEATHS DEATHS YORKE-RADLEIGH On James St. 1992. at his Cheisen home in London. Richard, aged 82 years. Long standing loyal and loving friend of the Nicholson and Layton families. Puneral Service at Crakes. Cal Church. London. Sw3. so Friday James y 17th at 2pm Julioused by private cremation. Provers may be sent to Leverton & Sons Lin. Funeral Directors. 212 Eversholl Street. London. MADOW - On January 10th 1992, peacefully after a short fliness at Battle Hospital, bending, Shella, Much loved wife of Nell, mether of Diana and Cathorne and grandmother of Barbara and James, Private fineral for family only at 81 Michorle S Church Enborne, whose a Memorial Service will be held on a date to be amounted later. Everation Street London. NW1 by 11.30 am. HARVIE - On January 8th
1992, suddenly at home.
Anthony Harvie, aged 76,
heloved husband of Pooh and
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and Jonathan, Puneral service at St. Peter's Church,
Bridge at 3.30sm on Friday
17th Hannary, Privale cremation, will follow. Family
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wished to the Save the Children Pund. MEMORIAL SERVICES Service for Chartes lan Macdowall. Calef News Edi-tor of Reuters, will be held at St. Bride's Church. Fleet Street, Lohdon ECA, on Tuesday February 18th, at 12 noon. ANNOUNCEMENTS HRLLS - Exica on Jenuary 8th osencefully it hospital efter a short, limes: Match loved wife of the lake Brigadier James Bills, dear Molher of Nonie, Tim, and Robin and Soloved. Orandomother. Funeral on Friday January 17th at 1.45 pm. Eastern Royal Parish Church, followed 3er private cramadion. Family. Gowers only. Donations to Eastern Royal Parish Church, Fund. c/o F. Dewey Ltd., River St. GRATEFUL Thanks to St. Anthony, for prayer Answered SG OFFICIANS PENSIONS SOCIETY
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Freud in the context of his time

is not the denial but the extent

to which he asserts his Jewish

origins - in a social rather than

religious sense - especially in

response to anti-Semitism.

Anti-Semitism, far more than

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This point cannot be

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"As you have pleaded 'Guilty' I

have to decide what the proper punishment should be. The statute gives me power to inflict on you imprisonment. I have thought deeply over the matter and hesitated very much whether I ought to send you to prison. But I say at once, because I do not want you to have any anxiety about it, that I have come to the conclusion that I can do justice without sending you to prison. But you must be punished.

"The publication of these documents, as I believe someone said, except one of them, possibly has in fact caused no harm. As to a certain other part of this case, which I do not propose to mention further because at the request of the Attorney-General I tried the matter in comera, there was a document which you published which might not only have caused serious harm in connexion with other matters, but in fact may actually have caused harm. That document is naturally of very large importance to some of

his Mejesty's servants... "Your counsel suggests to me that ali the facts led you to believe that you were doing no harm in publishing these documents. He says, and I am quite prepared to believe it, that you are described as an honourable man, and I see no reason why I should not believe your word."

SIGMUND Freud was the first in his family to have the choice of how to define himself as a Jew. At the time of Freud's birth, Judaism was seen largely in religious terms, and the majority expressed their Jewishness

through ritual observance. Freud's generation had access as never before to higher education which did not sit well with Jewish religious practices which maintain family and communal cohesion but set the Jews apart from the Christian world. As a result, generational tension, conflict and guilt were at an especially high pitch, and this was true in Freud's case as revealed most strikingly in The

Interpretation of Dreams. Freud's orthodox Jewish family background was a source of strength, energy and conflict, particularly with his father. In From Oedipus to Moses, Marthe Robert, the French psychoanalyst, argues persuasively that Freud's troubled bond with his father had a specifically Jewish side and deeply coloured his psychoanalytic theories. Freud regarded being Jewish as a training in embattled minority views, and it may be that as founder of a new tradition he had to play down the virtues of the old. Yet the evidence seems to be that Freud knew precious

little about these virtues. Absent in Freud's conception of Jewish ritual and learning is its warm, healthy, lifegiving side, enabling the Jews to survive hatred and persecution through the ages. His sense of what it meant to be a practising Jew was inauthentic and confused and led in the end to his notorious dismissal of Judaism in Moses and Monotheism. His dominant view was that religion is a form of immaning, and he describes neurosis as "an individual religiosity and religion as a universal obsessional

neurosis." Freud's family life was consequently devoid of Jewish ritual. Yet it may be that psychoanaly-

sis, with its own ritual and dogma, its stress upon the inner life, its faith in the potential improvability of man, in some ways represents the return of the repressed tradition in altered. secular form. Freud's theories themselves alert us to the potential significance of the abandoned religious way of life which, perhaps like early memories, cannot be forgotten without trace or substitute. Uprooted from Jewish orthodoxy. yet not fully accepted in the Gentile world, Freud created an

intellectual territory of his own which transcended and implicitly rejected both religious parochialism and racism. The virulently anti-Semitic nature of his environment, a strong dose of Jewish self-hate, and revulsion at Jewish religious ritual were all important factors both in Freud's neglect of his religious heritage and,

presumably, in his creation of psychoanalysis. The psychoanalytic role which Freud created for himself was similar to that of east European rabbis, who often advised members of their congregations in their personal lives, and had close circles of adherents. While he had probably inherited his prodigious memory and analytic ability from his rabbinic ancestors, Freud ignored the practical importance of the Talmudic background to his way of thinking. Kafka once wrote that Freud's works are a continuation of the Talmud, though there is not a single reference to the Talmud in the twenty-three volumes of Freud's Collected Works. (Freud does, incidentally. refer to the Holy Ghost). The intellectual milieu in which Freud lived was hostile to the

stability as with Jew-hatred as

well as with superstition and the

unscientific which had been

rejected in favour of rationalism

and secular enlightenment.

are, in a sense, equally wicked: therefore, it is ludicrous for any set of men to regard themselves as racially superior. However bold and fearless Freud was in defending his Talmud as the source of rabbinic authority, associated not so much with family and social

people against anti-Semitic onslaughts, he saw himself as an "infidel Jew", a heretical conformist in joining the mutiny against Jewish tradition. In a different age, he might have been a new Moses, continuer of a great religious tradition. Instead, he founded a breakaway system of thought which, ultimately perhaps, could best survive and flourish within the very tradition which it set out to

undermine. The writer is associate professor of Hebrew and comparative literature, McGill University,

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NEW RELEASES

◆ BILLY BATHGATE (15), Herpworshipping lud joins Dutch Schultz's gang in 1930s New York, Muffled. disappointing version of E.L. Doctorow's 1988 best-selling novel. Starring Dustin Holfman. Loren Desir, Grector, Robert Benion. Dear; Grector, Robert Benton. Camden Parkway (071-267 7084) Cannon Cheisea (071-352 5086) Notting Hill Coronet (071-727 6705) Odeons: Kensington (0428 915883) Screen on the Green (071-226 3520) Whiteleys (071-792 3332)

THE BRIDGE (12) Vapid British costume drama about a Victorian wife's summer affair; from Maggre Hamingway's novel With Saskia Revies, David O'Hara, Director, Syd Cannons: Fulham Road (071-370

2639) Haymarkst (071-839 1527)
Tottenham Court Road (071-636
6148) MGM Trocadero (071-434 0031). HELLO, HEMINGWAY: Young gut a problems with education and lamin Havana, 1956. Refreshing, bitter-sv Cuban drama; director, Fernando F ICA Cinema (071-930 3647).

LIEBESTRAUM (18). Mike Figgis's dark, wild tale of love, death and casturon architecture intorucating at first, but yawns creep in. Starring Kevin Anderson, Pamele Godley, Kim Novak, Camonis: Futham Road (071-370 2636) Shaftesbury Avenue (071-378 3651) MCM Trocaders (071-34 0071) Whiteleys (071-792 3332)

MERCI LA VIE (18); Time hopping

euses. Iden Plaza (071-485 2447) Isea Cinema (071-351 3742/3743) Iden (071-838 0681).

 YEAR OF THE GUN (15) Tedicus, bedly scripted timiler about the Red Brigade terrorists, Andrew McCarthy, Sharon Stone; director, John Cannons: Haymarket (071-839 1527) Oxford Street (071-636 0310). GURRENT

6 THE ADDAMS FAMILY (PG). Tasky feest of black humour, inspired by the

BECKET: Riveling performances from Derek Jacobs and Robert Lindsay in Anouth's play on the relationship between Thomas à Becket and Henry It. Theatre Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (071-930 8800), Mon-Set, 7 30pm, mats Wed, Set, 3pm. 165mins.

THE CABINET MINISTER: DOWN

DANCING AT LUGHNASA: Brian Fruit's Olivier Award-wirining memo play, set in 1930s Donegal, returns with a new cast. Garrick, Channg Cross Road, WC2 (071-494 5085) Mon Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm, 150mms.

AN EVENING WITH GARY fantasies of a woman marned to a

Duchess, Catherne Street, London WC2 (071-494 5075), Mon-Thurs, Spm. Fri, Sat, Spm and 8.45pm 130mms. THE GIGLI CONCERT: Barry Foster is obsessed with making an ineh millionaire (Tony Doyle) into the new Gigli in Tom Murphy's powerful fable Almeds, Almeids Street, N1 (071-359)

THE INNOCENTS: Henry James's Turn of the Screw plainly rendered as a phost story, losing the vital ambiguity, Greenwich, Crooms Hill, SE10 (081-858 7755) Mon-Sal. 7,45pm, mai Sal,

THE MARVELLOUS BOY: Public Parts (ake a quizzzal look at the Snatol odigy. Thomas Chatterton good formances in a jumbled play. (061-743 3388). Mon-Sal, 8pm 120mms. I THE MYSTERIE OF MARIA

TOULOUSE-LAUTREC: Last chance to see the Heyward's unparalleled sh of Lautrec's epoch-malung paintings

prints and posters. Heyward Gallery, South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 3144) Daily, 10am-6pm (Tues, Wed to 8pm), closes Sunday. THE QUEEN'S PICTURES: Another The doctors of the committee of the state of the factors of the National Gallery's Sansbury Wing, it brings together the cream of the Rayal Collection, including masterpieces by Holbern Rubens, Van masterpieces by Holbern Rubens, Van ces by Holban, Rubens, Van masterpieces by Holbert Rubens, 1 Dyck, Varnierr, as well as works by important British portratiets and Violonian anters. National Gallery, Trahistor Square, London WC2 (071-839 3321). Daily, 10am-8pm, closed Sunday.

ENGLISH NATIONAL BALLET: The company continues its season at the company continues its season at the South Bank with the new *Nationacher*, Ben Stevenson, the chory cographer, based this version on his Houston production, following Hoffmann's traditional story, and aims its appeal, both chridden and adults. The attraction they design; are by Desmond Heeley.

ROYAL BALLET, Figure Brockway and first solors's in the company, make their debuts in the principal roles of Frederick Ashton's inherently English

CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where Indicated with the symbol (*) on release across the country.

1980s TV spin-off from Charles Addems's macabre cartoons. Starring Raul Julia, Anjelica Huston, Christopher Lloyd; director, Barry Sonnenfeld Commenses Cammon: Baker Street (071-935 9772) Chelsee (071-352 5096) Odeon Kensington (0426 914666) Odeon West End (0426 915574) Whiteleys 071-792 3322

AN AMERICAN TA*L: FIEVEL GOES WEST (U): Hectic sequel to the 1987 animation hat about surmigrant mice: best when it revorbs Western cliches. A Steven Spelberg

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♦ THE COMMITMENTS (15): Hard-briten Dublin youngsters form a sout band. Fresh, turny, and budyanity played by a largely amateur cast. Director, Alan Parker. Camden Parkers (071-267 7034) Cannones: Fulham Road (071-370 2636) MGM Trocaders (071-434 0031) Odeon Mezzanine (0426 915663).

◆ CURLY SUE (PG): Con man and moppet win the heart of a corporate attorney Ugly mix of stapstick and sentiment, with a reastable child star (Alsan Porter). With Juries Bekishi, Kelly Lynch: director, John Hughea. Carmons: Haymarker (071-839 1527) Oxford Street (071-836 0310) MGM Trocaters (071-434 0031) Whiteleys (171-782 00052).

◆ DELICATESSEN (15) French video whitzhida Jeunet and Caro's wonderfully bizarre fantasy about a houseful of lenents ining above a cannibalistic butcher. Dominique Pinon, Marie-Leure Dougnac. Campriss: Chaltes (171-152 5085) Tottenham Court Road (171-835 6148) Gate (171-727 4043) Metro (171-437 0757) Screen on the Hell (171-435 3366).

ENCHANTED APRIL (U). Four Englishwomen share an Italian will in the 1920s with fines, fine performances, critissed entertainment. Starring Miranda Richardson, Josin Plowinght, Josie Lawrence; director, Mike Newell Curson West End (071-09 4925).

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♦ FLIRTING (12). Steps to maturity at ♥ FLINT ING (12). Steps to materily a segregated Aussie boarding schools in 1965 Delightful sequel to *The Year My Voice Broke fro*m director John Diagan. With Noah Taylor, Thandse Newhon. Cannons: Baker Street (071-935 9772) Futham Road (071-370 2636) Piccadilly (071-437 3561) Minema

♦ HOT SHOTS! (12): Spool comedy from Amplanet alumnus Jim Abrahams With Charlie Sheen, Lloyd Bridges, 200 ter too few good jokes Odsons: Kensington (0426 914666) Mezzanine (0426 915663) Whiteleys

MATADOR (18): Marder, high testaors and sint-Catholic libes from the remitable Pedro Almodovar, made in 1986. Assumpts Seria and Nacho Martinez as a chic lawyer and bull-Metro (071-437 0757).

4 THE PEOPLE UNDER THE STAIRS (18): Ghelto burglars penetra their evil landlord's house. Lively mix of horror, Grimm fairy story, and social Initials from corector Wile Crowen. Starring Brandon Adams, Everett McGill, Wendy Robie. Empire (071-497 9999).

PROOF (15): A blind men's photographs bring emblioned complications. Intriguing entertainment from new Australian director Jocelyn Moorbouse With Hugo Weaving, Ceneviere Picol, Renoir (071-837 8402). TOTO THE HERO (15), Jaunty,

and life's disappointments from talented new Belgian director Jaco van Dormael With Michel Bouquet, Curzon Mayfair (071-486 8865).

V. I. WARSHAWSKI (15): Dengy. clumsy, lost-mouthed trillier extracts from Sere Paretsly's detective novels with Kathleen Turner as the street-smert feminist sleuth Odeons: Haymarket (0426 915363) Kensington (0426 914666) Whiteleys (071-792 3332)

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of current theatre in London House full, returns only Some seats available ☐ Seats at all prices

detective comedy re-opens a famous 19th-century murder case. Warehouse, Dingwall Road, East Croydon (081-860-4060), Tues-Sal, Spm.

DI ONCE A CATHOLIC: Welcome return of Mary J. O'Malley's romping comedy about convent girls growing up between runs and feddy boys. Tricycle, 269 Kilbum High Road, NWS (071:328:1000), Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm, 1500.

☐ PHANTOM OF THE OPERA: Gleeful varyion of the old thriller tunes by Offenbech, Varid and Weber but not Lloyd-Webbar Shaftesbury, Shaftesbury, Shaftesbury, Shaftesbury, Avenue, London WC2 (071-379 5399) Mon-Fn, 730pm, Sat, 8 30pm, mats Thura, 3pm, Sat, 5pm. 150mans. ☐ THE RIDE DOWN MT MORGAN: Arthur Miller's disappointingly one-sided play where Tom Contrargues

the case for bigamy Wyndham's, Chenng Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1118) Mon-Set, 7.30pm, mate Thurs, Set, 2.30pm, 150mms. THE SEA: Judi Dench splendid as the village grande-dame in revival of Edward Bond's "comedy" of rage and

National (Lytteiton), South Bank, SE1

(071-926 2252) Tonight, tomorrow, 7 30pm, mat tomorrow, 2 15pm

SOPHISTICATED LADIES: Twelve singer dancers which through the music of Duke Ellington. Obvious routines cannot disguise the true rueful Duke.

Globe, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5065), Mon-Fr., Bpm, Sat, 8.30pm, raels Wed, 3pm, Sat, 5pm, 130mms

CJ A SWELL PARTY: Four singers, two pianists in bleable tribute to Cole Porter's will and way metodies. Vaudeville, The Strand, WC2 (071-836 9967) Mon-Fri, Bpm, Sat, 8-30pm, mets Wed, 2-30pm, Set, 5-30pm, 140mms.

CI A TRIBUTE TO THE BILLIES D A THEMP E TO THE SILIES BROTHERS: Lively parade of tuneful oldies Good fun. Whatehall, Whilehall, SWI (071-867 1119). Mon Thurs, 8.15pm, Fri. Sal, 8.15pm and 9pm 120mins.

WIND IN THE WILLOWS: RIMAN of last year's Int version by Alan Bennett with and wonderful National (Olivier), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252) Tonight, 7 15pm.

205mins

LONG RUNNERS: ☐ Aspects of Love: Prince of Wales (071-309 5972). ☐ Blood Brothers: Phoenix: (071-867 7044). ☐ Buddy Victoria Palace (071-844 1377). ☐ Carmen Jones: Old Vic (071-928 7616). ☐ Cats: New London (071-405 0072). ☐ Con't Dress for Diriner: Apolio (071-494 5070). ☐ Five Guys Named Moe: Lync (071-494 5046). ☐ Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dresmocat: Palacing (071-494 504). ☐ My Girt: Adelphi (071-836 7811). ☐ Les Micérables: Palace (071-434 0909). ☐ Miss Salgon: Theatre Royal, Drury Lene (071-494 5400). ☐ The Mousetrap: St Marin's (071-836 1443). ☐ The Phaintom of the Opera: Her Mayesty's (071-494 5400). ☐ Return to the Forbidden Planet: Cambindge (071-379 5299). ② Starfight Express: Apolio Victoria (071-828 8665). ☐ Thunderbirds F.A.B. — The Next Generation: Ambassadors (071-836 111). ☐ The Woman in Blacit: 6111) The Woman in Black; Fortune (071-836 2238).

TODAY S EVENTS

comic batet, *La Fâte mat gardée* Royal Opera House, Covent Ga n WC2 (071-240 1066), 6pm

THE BELLS: Leading lenor Philip THIS BELLS: Leading lenor Philip Langridge heads the cast in a new opera metodrama based on Leopold Lewis's Victorian drama. The Gells: The place is produced in association with Green Light Music Theatre, with a musical score by Daryl Runswick. Stephen Lengthre direction. Stephen Langridge directs Riverside Studios, Crisp Road, Landon W6 (081-748 3364), 7,30pm.

TALKING HEADS: Alan Bennett and Patricia Routledge recreate some of the characters in Bennett's popular BBC televison series. Tellung Hear Together they perform three Monologues. A Woman of No. monologues A Worner of No importance, A Lady of Letters and A Crap in the Supar The production begins its West End run next week at the Comedy Theatre Yvorms Armaud Theatre, Millbrook, Guildford (0483 60191), 7 45pm

HAMLET: Theatre Chayd's touring production of Shakespeare's play has the excellent Gerant Wyn Dawes in the lead, and is directed by Toby Robertson The production moves to Oxford's Playhouse Theatre real week, with dates at Chichester and Brighton to follow.

Grand Theetre, 25 Church Street, Blackpool (0253 28372), 7.30pm.

AVE MARIA: Thééire de Complicaté's to the London Inte commutant to the London International Marie First Incl. Linda Kert Scott's haunting portrayed of the obsessive spinister, Mrs M. A smash hit least year at the Education Festival, Institute of Contemporary Arts., The Mail. . Indon SW1 (071-920 3647), 8pm.

MASKS, MYTH AND MAGIC: Performance with Jeff McBride, an athletic American making cunning use of light, described in the US as "an Purcell Room, South Sank Centre, London SE I (071-926 6800), Spm

ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY: ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY: Armchair Froms week, with stall seats available from 56 from 6 30am on the day of performance. All five current productions leature in the scheme, including Heray IV Part 1 and Part 2 (tomorities, Wed. 7 30pm) with superty performances from Julian Glover and Michael Maloney as the King and Prince Itali Armchair Proms week is also at the Swarm, with all five productions being performed including Phythoa Llong's sparking slaging of Shadwell's The Virtuosa (tomorow, 7.30pm) and David Thacker's delightful Timo Gentleman of Verona (today, 7.30pm). Royal Shakespeare Theatre (0789-295623). Swan Theatre (0789-295623)

Devilry on a shoestring

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A Dybbuk for Two People Hampstead

S. ANSKI's The Dybbuk, probably the best-known and perhaps the finest of all Yiddish plays, has a cast-list of 34, not counting "Hassidim, Yeshiva Students, Prosperous Householders, Shopkeepers, Weddings Guests, Paupers and Children". So Bruce Myers's adaptation is less slimline than skeletal, an act of shrinkage beside which Shared Experience's Bleak House, in which six actors played some 40 parts, seems positively profligate. Imagine King Lear transformed into an after-dinner anecdote told by Edgar and the King of France, and

you will get the idea. A Jewish couple, played by Corinne Jaber and Myers himself, cheerfully prepare their Friday night meal. Then the husband's mood changes. Why does the soul from this eternal height fall into abysmal depths?" he glumly inquires; and, by way of reply, he and his wife act out Anski's tale of the young scholar who digs too deep into cabalistic writings and, when deprived of his beloved, transforms himself into a dybbuk on the morning of her wedding and sets up a squat inside her. ("Dybbuk: the soul of a dead sinner that has transmigrated into the body of a living person.")

Jaber is an appealing actress, capable both of projecting a naïve wonder as the love-object, Leye, and of playing a gruff male critic of Khonnon, the do-it-yourself Faust. Myers himself is something more, as deftly inventive a performer as a 20year veteran of Peter Brook's theatrical foundry in Paris ought to be. One

Così fan tutte

Covent Garden

THE Royal Opera must be pondering

the wisdom of putting the present cycle of the Mozart-da Ponte operas

in the joyless hands of Johannes

Schaaf, the director. His Figaro made

a glum revival before Christmas, and

three weeks later precious little Medi-

terranean light shines through on the

Bay of Naples in Cost the second time

round, despite the best efforts of Carlo

Rizzi in the pit. His tempi are mostly

fleet and supple, except for the essential slowing down at those cru-

cial moments, mainly concerning Ferrando, when feeling takes over

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moment he is the diffident Khonnon. receiving the news of Leye's impending marriage with a blank stare. followed by small, silent sobs; the next he is her grandmother, all twittering vowels and apologene body-language, and then he is transformed into the authoritative rabbi who seeks to exorcise the built-in incubus the obsessed Khonnon has become.

Inevitably there is loss, great loss; but some of it seems unnecessary. The suspicion grows that Myers, who directs as well as writes and acts, is not above displaying his own skills at the expense of the story. Playing one after another of the wedding guests who dance with Leye, he circles the stage, now trundling, now capering, now falling to his knees in supposedly comic imitation of a woman amputee. There is a completely gratuitous episode in which Myers's grandma climbs what inexplicably appears to be a mountain into the cemetery where her daughter lies. Yet Reb Azrielke's epic battle with the dybbuk Khonnon, the climax of Anski's play. passes brusquely and finishes incomprehensibly.

As a consequence, the answer to the original question about the soul, that with the fall the power lies to rise again", makes little sense. All it seems to mean is that husband Myers feels close to wife Jaher, and Friday night dinner may be happily resumed. Yet in spite of everything something of Anski comes across; a hint of that feeling, familiar to readers of Isaac Bashevis Singer, that marvels co-exist with the everyday. It leaves one inching for a full-scale revival of The Dybbuk itself, prosperous house-holders, paupers, and all. But who. these days, could afford that?

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE



Versatility: Corinne Jaber plays everything from love object to male critic

Would that such responses were visible on stage. Schaaf begins by shooting himself in the foot in having most of the action set in an attic (designer, Hans Schavernoch) which appears to have been furnished from a denuded junk shop. No pair of selfrespecting sisters would have spent their days in it, let alone received in it. It makes a nonsense of the departure for "war" by the two officers -

ambiguities of the finale. Two members of the current cast wore Lore Haas's drab costumes on the first night in 1989. Margaret Marshall's Flordiligi still lacks confidence: she is visibly unhappy in Fiordiligi's early moments of skittishness, while "Per pietà", despite a fine final flourish, becomes a long haul.

multiple stepladders suggest a comic

This also found the orchestra at its weakest. Anne Howells is all too confident with her slatternly, handson-hips Despina, tossing her mistress's locket around the stage with the best of the gentry.

The men cut classier figures. Kurt Streit's Ferrando, familiar from Glyndebourne, must have wished he

opera elopernent rather than a call to arms - and it numbs the multiple and limpidity of tone left for the seductions of "Volgi a me". William

along with him for his London debut. His tenor has an exemplary smoothness, flecked with passion. The gradual retreat of Alfonso across the stage during the outpourings of "Un aura amorosa" marks one of the production's better moments. Happily, Ferrando is allowed both of his Act II arias and Streit, fully extended by this big house, had just enough stamina

had Trevor Nunn's Cost cruise ship

sive. almost bombastic Guglielmo. assured in his ability to win everything - and everyone.

Diana Montague, almost as keen as Rizzi to put a little effervescence into Schaaf's flat Mozart, contrived a Dorabelia who would have suited Guglielmo admirably. Good to see her out of trousers for once: she would shine in a glossier staging. Stafford Dean's Alfonso is very different from the one he has shown in other houses: an almost sinister, bullet-headed figure stepping from one of Hoffmann's

And so to the last opera in the Schaaf cycle, the new Don Giovanni at the beginning of next month. It may well be strong on damnation, but let there be a few of the other Mozartian qualities as well.

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from mere game-playing.

A Killing Passion Lyric Studio, Hammersmith

THIS Temba Theatre production, making a travesty of the story on which the work is based, turns a metaphysical fable on the impossibility of perfection into a tale of two men and a sex-starved wife. The original is a novella by Thomas

Mann, The Transposed Heads, an Indian fable that argues out the relative merits of mind and body. Mann's dialogue is laboured. Nanda, the cowherd's son, discovers that Shridaman, his friend, has beheaded himself. "Still remains the soft plumpness where it was, but reft of sense and meaning, unallied with that noble head of thine." He goes on like this for more than a page. The speeches of Shridaman, of brahmin stock, are even harder to bear. Alby James and Sheena Wrigley are right to change most of the dialogue, but phrases such as "Leave me my lingo" sound weird, and "I'll drink to that!" is positively

absurd in a Hindu tale. The point of Mann's novella is that Nanda has a gorgeous body and a thickish head, while Shridaman has a soft, plump body, but a splendid head. Sita marries the one with the fine head and cultivated thoughts, but

finds herself longing for Nanda's musculature. The chaps realise this and chop of their heads, and when the goddess Kali intervenes with a miracle Sita accidentally (but perhaps not) swops the heads around

In Body Language Ayckbourn used this device chiefly for laughs, Mann's parrative has sty humour, but he makes subtle points about the way bodies and minds influence each other. James, who also directs, reduces everything to Shridaman's poor performance in bed.

The transposition of heads poses a special problem: unable to rely on nightly interventions by Kali, An-thony Warren and Charlie Folonunsho merely change their clothes, an unconvincing theatrical con-our. Oriental or Indian theatre could have given James a non-naturalistic solution to this difficulty, although this might have lifted the play back to the metaphysical level which he avoids.

"I love you, Shridaman; and I love you, Nanda," says his Sita (Catherine Coffey) when both men lie dead again at her feet. "I just couldn't love you both. But we could have worked it out with time." What a bore. The production foists on to both

men some right-on political attitudes. which fit as snugly as red noses on a temple statue. Coffey fleetingly, Folorunsho more often, and Warren less so, seem at ease in their roles.

JEREMY KINGSTON

ROCK **Andrew Strong**

Town & Country

Shimeli contrasted well as an aggres-

WHATEVER else may have happened to Andrew Strong since his fairytale rise to stardom, the stylists have not got hold of him. At the tender age of 16, having won the part of Deco Cuffe, lead singer in The Commitments. Alan Parker's film about a fictional Dublin band. Strong was required to do little other than be himself: an uncomplicated, overweight, Irish teenager without a wardrobe, but with a passion for old soul songs made famous by people such as Otis Redding, Wilson Pickett and Percy Sledge.

Now he is a couple of years older, and has a real recording contract for six albums under his belt, but if the possibility of upgrading his couture, slimming down, or finding an image has occurred to him, he is not letting on about it. In his white T-shirt and waistcoat, with his fair hair scraped back in a lank ponytail, he looked like Meat Loaf's younger brother, the one who became a roadie.

Nor has there been any attempt to tinker with the staunchly revivalist, evergreen flavour of the music in the movie. Backed by a competent group, two girl vocalists and a crack six-piece horn section, Strong sallied forth with

faithful recreations of "Mustang Sally". "Mr Pitiful" and "The Dark

expansive presence. Strong walloped into the songs with an impressive lack was every bit as big, dark and throaty

expect a favourable response.

from the same era.

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BUZKASHI

(a) An equestrian sport and team game that combines polo, rughy football, and the traditional Argentine game of Pato. It is derived from an exercise of Geoghis Khan's Mongol horsemen, and is played with a stuffed goat's skin.

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(b) The final act in a buillight, the combination of variegated passes with the muleta that precedes the killing of the bull. It is called, ploukingly, is facea, the job, the business; but alicionados swear that it can be a work of ephemeral art. If you believe that, you will believe anything.

End of the Street".

With a personality to match his of inhibition. His marvellous voice as expected, with a timbre reminis-cent of Joe Cocker's, a comparison reinforced by Strong's ungainly mannerism of pretending to play an

invisible bass guitar. During "Land of a 1000 Dances" his over-zealous handling of the audience eventually proved counterproductive, but time will teach him that there is a limit to how often you can yell "Are you feeling all right, London?" at a crowd of people and

A more urgent problem is the lack of originality. With even a half-decent band performing material as tried and tested as this, Strong can always promise a good night out, but his popularity will quickly reach a ceiling unless he adds some new twist to the formula. He helpfully identified several of his own compositions, which although good songs, fitted so snugly among the repertoire of old cover versions, that they would otherwise have been mistaken for obscure items (

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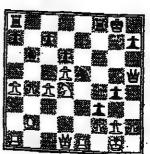
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Purcell (Suite in G); Tippett

8.35 Composers of the Week:
Handel (1685-1759). Overture,
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A, Op 6 No 11; Scherzano sul

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9.36 Morning Sequence: Strauss
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under Kerl Böhm with Lise.
Della Casa, soprano);
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Rephael Ensemble five from St. John's, Smith Square, London, Strause (Sextet, Capriccio); Bratima (Sextet No.1 in B flat,

Mertin Turnovsky plays Overture, in Nature's Resim, Op 91: The Wild Dove, Op 110

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Ashkenezy) 11.45 Northern Sintonia under

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2.15 Knots Landing Deserted. Cales spin-off (7510955)
3.00 The Odd Couple: You've Coltes a Long Way Baby. Vintage American contedy series starring Jack Khugman and Tony Flandall (8267145)

3.25 Bazaer. Nerys Hughes presents the Ideas-laden magazin

programme (6173752) 3.50: Barney. Cartoon (f) (4835955) 3.55
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Might Birds on Nantucket. Charlotte Coleman reads the first of a
five-part story by Joan Alfken for Jacksmany (9334874) 4.25
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7.00 wogan. Perry is juried by actor hoger Lloyd Pack, Higger in Cray Fools and Horses (s) (6874)
7.30 Some Mothers Do. 1 Ave 18m. Chaotic comedy starring Michael Crawford as the hapless Frank Spancer, who takes a second honeymoon with wife Betty (Michelle Dotrice) (r) (145)
8.00 May To December: The Look of Love. Tepid romantic cornectly starring Anton Rodgers and Lesley Durlicp (r). (Castas) (9394)



First imported from the United States: the wild mink (8.30pm)

8.30 Whitiffe on One; invasion of the Killer Mink CHOICE: Mark Jacobe's splendid film is an attempt, not entirely whole-hearted, to rescue the mink from its reputation as a ruthless predictor that has no place in the British countryside. The evidence for the prosecution is too strong: The mink may be a modestly-sized creature but it is prepared to take po almost anything. Ducks, goese, pheasents and chickens are all victims of its murderous attacks. Off the coast of Scotland one mink slaughtered 129 birds in a single night, it has even been blamed for lotting lambs. The minks which settle and brised on the edges of rivers and canals are the descendants of minks brought in from the United States in the late 1920s to be bried for fur, With changing public attitudes to the wearing of fur, most of the farms have gone but the wild mink continues to flourish. There is not much in the

favour except that it helps farmers by killing rats and rabbits (1329) 9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. (Cestio) Regional nave and weather (8348) 9.30 Panoramit: Risky Bueinees. Michael Crick reports on accidente and deaths at work and asks whether the law on-safety is too

Innert (447435)

10.10 Cagasy and Lacey: Power. The return of the New York police crems with the female stant, Chris (Sheron Glees) is temporarily put in charge of the 14th precinct. With Tyne Daly (873481). Northern tretand: 29 Sedford Street (820232), 10,40 Cagney and

Lacey (587787)

11.00 Gerdene by Deelge: The Extra Roces. In the Srst. of abt programme, David Stevens outlines the basics of a well-deelgned gerden (r). (Ceeler) (7665)

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EBU Concert from Copenhagen: The Denieh National Radio Choir and the Denish National RSO under Denish National RSO under Denish National RSO under Denish Radio with Eva Johansson, soprano; Kirsten Delberg, mezzo; Boye Stovinus, bartone: Niels Gade (Dremetic cantale, Everstud); Ravel (Depinis et Chioé) Manuscripts don't Burn

CHOICE: The indestructibility of the written word is rerer than the survival of ideals and there can't be many examples of the former more remarkable than the one recounted tonight by the historian John Kiler. When the Jevish scholar and historian losi I isherberg was executed

Jewish school and incured Josif Lisberberg was executed by Soviet secret police in 1937, orders were given to burn les vest collection of books and manuscripts memorissising the cultural memorissising the cultural memorissis of Fact Frances.

hernage of East European Jewry. They weren't burnt. Thirteen years teler, they again survived a destruction order structured and a second

again autyived a destruction order, though their custodians were all shot. Idler has seen the Lieberberg collection. The effect on him can be imagined 19.00 The Outside in Feativet. The first of five programmes from 1991 feativet held at the

Hawth Centre, Crawley,

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11,35 Composers of the Week.

7.00 News 7.05 Third Ear: Pauline Kael, retired

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ter Live Special. This afternoon lan and Kevin Maxwel sie expected to appear before the House of Commons social security select committee as it investigates the management of pension funds. Vivian White presents live coverage of the proceedings (640874) 3.50 News, regional news and weether

4.00 Catchword. Paul Cola hosts the word game (s) (874)
4.30 Hidden World: Embroidery. The cultural and arisatic state

made by the embroidery of shi women (918) . 5:00 Behind the Headlines. With the demise of the Soviet Union, Jane Corbin asks whether spying still has a future (1752) 5.30 Film '92 with Berry Normen, who goes week-kneed over Michelle

Pleiffer (r) (s) (110) 6.80 A Question of Sport. David Coleman hosts the sporting quiz with team captains Bill Beaumont and Ian Bothern (r). (Ceefax) (s) (333) 6.30 Greet Sporting Moments. The successful ice-dance partnership move and Gorschkov (377023)

6.40 Def IL: Fresh Prince of Bel Air - 72 Hours. American drame.

series set in Los Angeles (110665)

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young people question a calebrity. Kicking off is the footballer Justin Fasharu (846394)

7.44 Valora Irusi the Past Proof Career — Alamide Ocean 1947. A series of early sound films (275225)

8.10 Horizon: Pest Warn

 CHOICE: For half a century the most effective means of dee with peats and weeds was to attack them with chemicals. This orthodoxy has been coming under increasing challenge. The opposition to chemicals is partly based on concern about polluting the environment, partly on their diminishing effectiveness and partly on cost. The solution is to encourage natural preclators which, left to themselves, can do the job just as well. This clear and accessible film offers a raft of examples. In Indonesia, which beaned 50 pasticides, the rice yield went up by a quarter. British tornato growers can buy pest-esting mites, sold in handy sachets. More ingenious was the successful eradication of the demaging More ingenious was the successful eradication of the damaging screw worm By by breeding the fly, making it sterile and letting the intertile specimens locae among the rest. (Ceefax) (s) (835329) 8.60 Goodbye Cruel World. The second part of Tony Marchant's moving and beautifully acted drama about coping with disability. Berbers (Sue Johnston) has contracted a fatal muscle-westing disease and her husband (Alun Armstrong) devotes himself to hissing money, for their newly established cherity. (Ceefax) (s) 199681.

19.00 The Pall Bearer's Revee, Cornedy and magic with Jerry

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Glorie Steinem and looks at the role of public relations before the onest of the Gulf war (a) (737482) 11,55 Behind the Headines (r) (731936) 12,25am Weether (6126820)

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9.00 News 8.05 Start the Week: with Melkyn

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10.00 The Mating Game (PM only):
Natural history quiz
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10.15 The Bible (LW only): Esther.
Second of two episodes read
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week-long breast cancer

campaign — radio's most ambitions attempt to focus attempt and a cases that

annually claims 15,000 lives in Britain. Some of the country's

leading breast cancer experts will give the latest Information about the prevention,

treatment and cure of the disease, and there is a free, national, and confidential help-

neutrine, and continuential neighbor and averaing actions of Warran's Hour. Completing today's programme, Janet Suzman reads part 6 of Nadine

4411. Vincent Duggleby takes calls on how best to manage

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12.00 News; You and Yours: with John Howard 12.25pm My Music: Sleve Race chairs the

Worsen's Hour get an evening repeal. So the timing couldn't be more propitious for today's isunching of Worsen's Hour's

6.00 TV-am (6701874) 9.25 Keynotes. Music quiz (6405959) 9.55 Thames News (6070394) 10.00 The Time ... The Piace ... Topical discussion (5297058) 19.40 This Morning (3201313), inclat 10.55 ITN News headlines, and at 11.55 Thomas News

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organisations, starting with the Crizens' Advice Bureau (34634805) 2.50 Fhundles (s) (8553459) 3.15 ITN News headines (4906348) 3.20

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7.00 Wish You Were Hare . . ? The holiday magazine reports from Ecrypt and Austria and looks at an activity break in the Peak District. (Oracle) (s) (8042)

7.30 Coronation Street. (Oracle) (313)
8.00 No Job For a Lady: A Bed for the Night. Good humoured and often perceptive comedy starring Penelope Keith as a Labour MP, here campaigning for the homeless. (Oracle) (s) (9990)

 CHOICE: The heroes of this report from Serawak are the Penan tribe, the only nomadic hunter-gatherers outside the American continent. The villains are giant logging companies who are destroying the rain forest which the Penan inhabit, it is a classic tale of first world exploitation versus third world survival, in which money talks. An independent report has said that logging must be cut by helf for the forest to survive. The Malaysian government, which benefits from logging to the tune of \$2 million a year, refuses the compty. It also refused permission to World in Action to flow. The camera crew pressed on regardless, bringing back vivid footage of the tribe preparing to reset the loggers with spears and blow pipes. Much of the timber makes its way to Japan, which regards its own trees as too precious to cut down (3597)



A ripping years: Michael Caine as the police inspector (9.00pm)

9.00 Jack the Ripper. Speculative semi-fictional drame about the serial piller who terrorised Victorien London, Inspector Michael Caine heads the investigation, Continues after the news (r) (6394)

10.00 News at Ten. (Oracle) Weather (44482) 10.30 Thames News

18.40 Jack the Ripper. The murders continue, and begin again tomorrow at 9pm (123023) Magnam: LA. Tom Selleck as the Hawaiian-based detective in the

Alight of the Living Deed(90829961) 1.35pm Billy Jack (1971): Missaletto

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dying man who decides to take a terminal course of action in a black cornery (999004)

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The Splits to the rescue (7790597) 9.25 Davy Crockett On The Miss

first of a two-part story (434936) 12.30 Sportsworld Extra. The US Skine golf tournament in Pain Springs, California, and football from the Barclays League (95612) 1.30 Pilm: The Last Wagos (1955). Well-handled western about the survivors of a wagon train massacre who trust their lives to suspected murderer Richard Widmark. Directed by Delmer Daves

3.30 American College Football (83917) 4.36 Stage 1 featuring Billy Brace (e) (31578) 5.30 ITN Morning News (57085). Ends at 6.00

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Channel 4 Daily (6709416) 9.25 Schools (42538482)

12.00 Right to Reply with Sheena McDonald (r) (Teletext) (s) (94905)
12.30 Business Daily with Susannah Simons (26705)
1.00 Sesame Street. The guest is Whoopi Goldberg (14961)
2.00 Film: A Cry from the Streets (1958, b/w). Well-meaning comedy crama starring Max Bygraves as a radio mechanic who is enlisted by welfare officer Barbara Murray to help in her work with deprived children in London. Directed by Lewis Gilbert (302597)
3.50 Pete Smith Specialities: Ski Sirds (1939, b/w) Short film

charting the history of skiing (8421481)
4.00 How Does Your Garden Grow? The Naylors garden in Dublin (r). (Teletext) (482)

4.30 Countdown. Richard Whiteley hosts the words and numbers

game (s) (226) 5.00 The Late Late Show. Gay Syme hosts Dublin's talk show (5955)

6.00 The Cosby Show: Theogets. The Huxtable family puts Theo (Malcolm Jamal Warner) on trial (r) (619) 6.30 Tonight with Jonathan Ross (s) (771)

7.00 Channel 4 News and weather (574145)

7.50 Comment (692139) 8.00 Brookside. (Teletext) (s) (8232)

8.30 Desmand's: Dobbin. Rezor-sharp comedy set in a barbershop.



Ten years on: blacking up for Falkland hostilities (9.00pm)

9.00 The Falklands War: The Unnecessary War CHOICE: The tenth enraversary of the Falklands conflict is marked by this forthright revaluation which promises to upset the authorised version at several crucial points, it claims to reveal how many senior British commanders were opposed to the action, that the British campaign was marred by rivalry and poor planning and that luck rather than military skill prevented a British disaster. Tonight's episode, tracing the background to hostilities, highlights two other themes. One is how the opposition of the tiny band of Falklanders prevented what many believed to be a sensible solution, of ceding the islands to Argentina under a lease-back agreement. The other is that the war would have been unnecessary if the Thatcher government had read the warning signals from Argentina. Not surprisingly the main proponent of this view is Lord Calleghan, who as prime minister headed off a previous Argentinian threat in 1977. (Teletext) (4936)

18.00 thirtysomething: Fighting the Cold. American drama series about a group of friends in their thirdes (11142690)

18.55 Global Image: Sidet — Forced Exile. The courageous struggle to find a new identity by three African woman refugees

12.05em Tonight with Jonathen Ross (r) (990530)
12.40 The Missing Reel. Drama-documentary which examines claims
that Augustin LaPrince and not Thomas Edison Invented the first moving picture camera (r) (3950172). Ends at 2.00

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Freeman: off the line with a signal blunder

Police issue fog warning

Continued from page 1 gow city centre resembled a "thick pea soup". Flights to Glasgow airport were diverted to Edinburgh.

London Weather Centre said that frost was likely over England, Wales and southern Scotland, together with dense freezing fog patches. Fog will persist all day in places, becoming more widespread again after dark.

 Weather patterns are stay-ing virtually the same, despite gloomy predictions about the effects of global warming. according to measurements from a century-old raingauge. The gauge, at Otterbourne. Hampshire, has recorded an average 797 mm 100 years.

The two wettest years were 1951, and the driest 1921 and 1973. The dry summers of 1976 and 1989 do not feature because the rainfall totals for those years were boosted by wet months.

today. He wants to make amends for his gaffe in suggesting on television that commercial operators who take over the rail network after British Rail is privatised could lay on "cheap and cheerful" trains for lowly typists, while civil servants and businessmen travel in style.

Mr Freeman's idea was that running "low fare, high density" commuter services could be attractive for commercial railway operators. The remark pleased nobody. Typists were furious at being classed as fit only for cattle class. Civil servants and businessmen were unhappy because, although they look forward to an improved rail service, Mr Freeman's outburst left it unclear whether the new Typist Class car-riages will be on a par with current British Rail standards. That would at least promise a better train service or non-typists in future.

But if today's haphazard standards of service and reliability on British Rail are to be the benchmark for Mr Freeman's Top Persons' trains, then civil servants and businessmen will still weep every morning into their Traveller's Fare Tea-Style Hot Liquid Beverage, even after BR is privatised. And typists would do better to travel to work by wheelbarrow.

Mr Freeman, now contorted into that appealing pose of The Politician Who Has Made A Blunder And Is Squirming To Extricate Himself, said yesterday: "I regret the phrases I used. They were clearly capable of misinterpretation. In no way do think that typists are second class and I am going to apologise to all the typists I come into contact with on

But he said he stood by the principle of price competition on the railways, which would be similar to the pricing systems on airlines, but added there was to be two-tier, classconscious services.

An airline-style train service would, of course, be a far more comprehensible concept to British Rail travellers, who are quite used to long. waits in departure areas.





Freeze prices: protesters yesterday show poster of Lenin, and a mocking one of Yeltsin wishing "a happy new year: life is getting better".

Moscow shuns pro-communist protest

FROM MARY DEJEVSKY IN MOSCOW

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SEVERAL thousand Muscovites turned out yesterday to demonstrate against the freeing of retail prices, a move which has raised most prices several times over without appreciably improving supplies. Reports from elsewhere in Russia indicate, however, that the government's gamble on market reforms has not met the resistance many feared and in some places, the new prices are already being reduced in the face of protests. The Moscow demonstration had

the combined purpose of opposing

price rises and calling for the revival

of the banned Communist party and

against economic returns nowers, is attracted far fewer people than the organisers had hoped. Last year's democratic protests attracted up to 300,000, while yesterday 10,000 at most turned out. Others may have been deterred by driving snow. In one suburb of Moscow, an estimated 1,000 people blocked one of the city's main arteries to protest

the restoration of Soviet power. As

with previous attempts by conserva-

tives to harness popular discontent

against economic reform, however, it

against continuing milk shortages. These are explained by a combination of inadequate transport facilities, an unofficial blockade of the city by rural producers, and a shortage of fodder for cows which has reduced

yields. In towns around Moscow there is no shortage of milk, but customers must bring their own pails because of the shortage of bottles.

Evidence to support the view that opposition to the January 2 price increases has been less than feared came also from Chelyabinsk, a large industrial city in the Urals which has seen food protests in the past, and from the Russian president's recent tour of cities on the Volga.

From Chelyabinsk Tass reported

that barely 1,000 people had joined a protest demonstration against the price increases on Saturday. Factory vorkers in Nizhni Novgorod (formerly Gorky) were said to have expressed support for the Russian government. headed by Boris Yeltsin, during a visit by the president at the end of

Although there were complaints and heckling, not just in Nizhni Nov-gorod, but also in Saratov and Ulyanovsk - the other two stops on his tour - there were no mass protests. Aides who returned reported public understanding of the need for the price rises and continued confidence n Mr Yeltsin, who became the first popularly elected republic leader in the Soviet Union last June. This week President Yeltsin will visit Bryansk, one of the places worst affected by the nuclear fallout from Chernobyl, and St Petersburg, in a further at-tempt to gauge the public mood.

Alert on uranium may be mistake

By KERRY GILL

A HUNT for highly enriched uranium, which has resulted in a partial shutdown of the nuclear reprocessing plant at Dounreay since early last month, may be a mystery that never was. John Wakeham the energy secretary, is expected to be told this week that the fuel never disappeared in the first place.

Mr Wakeham, like thousands of people living near coast of Scotland, has been anxiously awaiting results of an investigation into the reported disappearance of 10 kilograms of the uranium by

a team from his department. Yesterday, the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority (UKAEA) said that the report had been completed and was likely to be delivered today. What it will say is anybody's guess, but it was made clear yesterday that, firstly, the uranium is not being held by a terrorist, and, secondly, that the inside of Dounreay is safe.

That left the possibility of the affair being the result of

an accountancy error. One newspaper claimed that a computer fouled up and that the uranium was never lost. It is always tricky searching for something that may not exist.

The UKAEA could not, or would not, give any further clue. "From our investiga-tions, we found no security implications, it was not taken off the site and there was no safety hazard involved," spokesman said. Yes, but did t exist? The spokesman repeated the team's initial findngs; but said that anything more would be speculation.

Dounreay suranium recovry plant is still out of action following the disappearance. The authority said that it would remain so until Mr Wakeham had seen the report. He is likely to make a statement on the uranium in the Commons within the next two weeks, which, it must be

hoped, will end the mystery. The UKAEA said that it could not comment on a report that it was losing up to £100,000 a day because of the partial shutdown.

ing plant takes spent fuel from the prototype fast reactor and separates it into plutonium, uranium and highly active waste. The disappearance of enriched uranium has been described as outrageous by environmentalists.

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Wakeham warns Ashdown's supporters

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and Maldon. John Wakeham, the energy secretary and Tory party cam-paign co-ordinator, described Labour and Liberals as twin brothers. The key difference was that Labour still believed it had an outside chance of winning the election but the was eventually to replace Labour as the main opposition to the Tory party.

Mr Wakeham added: "Liberals everywhere must therefore make a crucial decision over the coming months about how most responsibly to exercise their vote. They can decide to stick with the SLD, risk letting Labour in through the back door and consigning their own party to generations in the wilderness. Or they can come over to the Conservatives, ensure the final defeat of socialism, and then set out to fill the void of principled opposition on the Labour abdicated in the last

Mr Wakeham said the choice facing Liberal Democrats was between endless onposition on the fringes of politics or a chance, one day, to become real pretenders for

decade."

power. "I urge them all - and especially those who value the defence of our nation - to back John Major at the polls, whenever the election Mr Patten, the party chair-

man, launched a pamphlet, The Liberal Democrats: The Politics of Failure, by asserting that a vote for the Liberal Labour. He said Mr Ashdown and his lieutenants would be tripping over themselves to put Mr Kinnock into No 10 in the event of a hung parliament. "If you vote Liberal Democrat you won't get a Liberal Democrat gov-

WEATHER Widespread frost and dense freezing fog is likely over Eng-

land. Wales and southern Scotland, clearing slowly in many areas

emment. But you may get a Labour government," he

The pamphlet criticises Mr Ashdown personally for his allegedly left-wing views. "Mr Ashdown's overall record illustrates that he is on the left in British politics and would almost certainly side with Labour in the unlikely event

His past history as a leftwinger - and his dogged opposition to Conservative economic reforms — make him deeply unconvincing as a proponent of free market economics and competition." In the Disraeli lecture to-

the election. Ladbroke's quote Labour as favourities to win the most seats at the next election for the first time since 1974. The takings in recent days, including one punter placing

£4,000 on a hung

parliament.

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philosophical attitudes of the

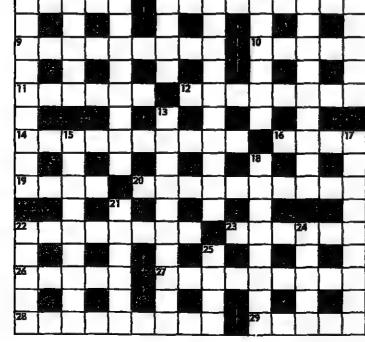
Conservatives and Labour,

stressing that there was a

"real choice" facing voters in

Unionist terms, page 3 Diary, page 14 Peter Riddell, page 14

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,813



ACROSS

- I It can change an old buffoon (5). 4 Stiffening, bend over in pain (9). Average lot, yet outstanding (9).
- a wanderer (5). 11 Made a home for a good man in straitened circumstances (6). 12 Situation vacant - write without obligation (4-4).
- 16 Wooden Greek character given quarters (4). 19 Feel jealous of a minister who
- 20 Loyalty to a certain party for instance admitted by a union 22 Acidity a medico can dry out (8).
- 23 Jack's water-spaniel? (3-3). 26 A woman's fate (5).

lacks nothing (4).

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The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 18,812 will appear next Saturday. The 5 winners will receive a Duofold fonntain pen supplied by Parker

- 27 Totally without vitality for a time in an awful state (9).
- 28 Temperate land mass (9). 29 Back authoritarian (5).

- A quiet attendant about to put a stop to a hanger-on (9). 2 Grows weary, but tries anyhow
- 3 Thousands have to drive around
- in traffic (8). 4 Hit the drink! (4). 5 Starry-eyed forecaster (10).
- 6 The artist's surrounded by pets - they're worth their weight in 7 The fashionable form? Quite the
- reverse! (9). 8 A common plant in Hong Kong or Seoul (5)
- 13 1 dn, very old and in a hole (10). 15 Game people going under upset no-one (9).
- 17 16 is always concerned about the environment (9). 18 A number of bonds are for a tenyear period (8).
- 21 A country road circumventing a regulation (6). 22 Mirror showing Bohemian girl
- with large figure (5). 24 This is an Elizabethan bowler. 25 Catch up a bit (4).

Concise crossword, page 17

WORD-WATCHING ...

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which definit are correct? By Philip Howard SPORTICALS

STABLEFORD a. A Newmarket stal b. A shot at snooker c. Scoring at golf OKINAWAN-TE a. The supine butterfly stroke b. Fighting with agricultural c. A short golf tec

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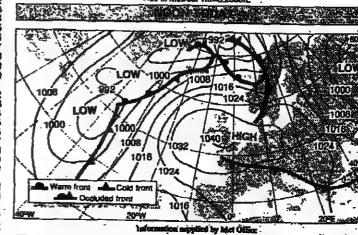
although a few brighter spells are likely. Outlook dry with surmy intervals but overnight fog and frost lingering in places. 0 18 TIMES WEATHERCALL

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and persisting all day in places before becoming more widespread MODERATE again after dark. It will remain dry with a few sunny intervals. A cloudy day over Northern Ireland and northern parts of Scotland, FOG London 4.17 pm to 8.01 am Sristol 4.27 pm to 8.11 am Edinburgh 4.06 pm to 8.36 am Manchester 4.16 pm to 8.19 am Panzance 4.44 pm to 8.17 em Sun sets 4.17 pm Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 3C (37F), min 6pm to 6am, --2C (28F), Pain; 24th to 8pm, trace. Sun' 24th to 8pm, 0.1th. 4.34 11.11 10.09 10.39 9.29 11.11 4.03 3.45 3.53 11.37 10.38 10.48 10.12 11.45 4.12 4.12 11.47 10.58 4.09 10.33 5.55 5.05 3.35 11.38 11.15 11.34 8.11



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MAN OF THE WEEK

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Not so nicely at the

hey don't come much smoother than Don Mcraired chief executive of TSB group. Always crisply turned out, the man who put the slogan "that will do nicely," into American Express speaks in the carefully modulated tones of an international marketing executive. If there is any doubt left, his line in lilac shirts and Italian shoes. confirm he is not someone who was born or bred in Lombard Street.

e will need every ounce of his softly-spoken charm when TSB reveals its full-year figures on Thursday. After phinging to a £150 million loss at the halfway stage, fur-ther had news is expected. It remains to be seen how well the City takes any forecasts of better times ahead. It is not what Mr McCrickard can have hoped for when he was made chief executive two years ago. But experience is on his side. Born on Christmas Day 1936, Mr McCrick-ard cut his business teeth



McCrickard tough

his parents' corner shop near. Brighton. An. only child, he was educated at Hove Grammar School, joining the air force at 18 and later taking an economics degree in Malaya. His first job at Procter & Gamble lasted was recruited into ad-vertising handling the Volkswagon: account. worldwide. But it was at American Express that he carned his reputation as a tough guy and the nickname Don McCre-ditunni

A keen sports fan, Mr McCrickard took up skiing three years ago and works out at his Belgra-via mews house with a personal trainer twice a week. Last year, he got married for the second time, to Angela Fuentes, the former head of the British Association of Gastronomes.

r McCrickard ioves to so-ioves to so-an eclectic list of contacts including Sir Peter Imbert, the police commissioner, and Bryan Gould, the shadow environment secretary. It is just as well. In the year ahead, he and Sir Nicholas Goodison, the chairman of TSB, could well need a little help from

> JUDI BEVAN Week ahead, page 22

CHANGE ON WEEK

THE POUND

US dollar 1.8055 (-0.0465) German mark 2.8386 (-0.0181) Exchange index 90.4 (-1.0)

Bank of England official

STOCK MARKET

FT 30 share. 1874.2 (-27.2) FT-SE 100 2477.9 (-26.2) New York Dow.Jones 3199.46 (-2.02) Tokyo Nikkei Avge 22381.90 (n/a)

Protests grow over sale of Tees trust port assets

THE troubled sale of Britain's trust ports faces fresh difficulties as protests grow over the decision of the Tees & Hartlepool Port Authority to sell its assets to Teesside Holdings.

Maritime Transport Services (MTS), which

topped Teesside's £180 million bid by £22 million, has joined members of the rival employee consortium and Teesside members of Parliament in urging the Malcolm Ritkind, the transport secretary, to hold an urgent review of the sale

MTS, which runs the Isle of Grain container terminal in Kent, said it offered more shares for the workforce than the selected bidder. MTS believes it was unreasonable to accept a lower bid on the basis of Teesside's business plan, which could subsequently be changed. Mr Rifkind has assured Parliament that the selection process for the sale was properly conducted, and indicated that he was "minded" to accept the recommendation of the port

authority. However, the storm caused by the Tees authority's decision to accept neither the employee offer nor the highest bid is overshadowing efforts to sell three other trust ports: Medway, Tilbury and Clyde. The decision by British Steel to close the

Ravenscraig steel works at Motherwell has compounded the difficulties faced by bidders for the Clyde Port Authority's assets.

Would-be buyers of Clyde were required to file their preliminary bids by Friday. However, the impending loss of business at British Steel's Hunterston ore importing terminal is expected to sharply reduce Clyde's annual revenues of £12 million. The Clyde port will also lose the business of exporting much of Ravenscraig's output, with an overall reduction in revenues estimated at £4.4 million.

In addition, it has emerged that the transport department is still negotiating with the Port of London Authority (PLA) in an effort to recover the proceeds which will accrue from the sale of Tilbury, Britain's largest trust port.

Because the PLA will remain in existence. the proceeds of the Tilbury sale will go into its coffers. Half the proceeds from the other port sales goes to the Treasury, the balance to the new port company. However, the transport department is apparently seeking to recover the cash from Tilbury by demanding the subsequent repayment of part of £147 million of government loans to the port.

Tilbury had revenues of £51 million in the year to December 1990, largely from the import and export of forest products and grain. and from cruise liners to the Baltic. Tilbury made an operating profit of £3.7 million in 1990, the first year in which it was freed from the strictures of the dock labour scheme.

Many of the port's 900 employees have indicated their willingness to invest in the management and employee buyout group which is bidding for the port under the leadership of John McNabb, Tilbury's chief executive.

At Medway, MTS is bidding against an employee consortium, but it remains unclear whether any of the other six groups interested in the port have submitted preliminary offers.

Barlow denies boardroom split over decision to withdraw

Pearson pulls out of MGN bid

AND COLIN CAMPRELL

PROSPECTS for the sale of the whole of Mirror Group Newspapers in the near future have receded after the most favoured buyer dropped out of the bidding blaming massive liabilities associated with the group.

A statement by Pearson. the owner of the Financial Times, which appears on Stock Exchange screens this morning says that after study-ing available information on ing "available information of MGN's financial affairs", it had little choice but to drop its acquisition plans.

MGN directors meet their

bankers today to ensure that agreements to supply operating funds, which expire this month, are secured until May Liabilities at MGN are understood to total at least

The late Robert Maxwell plandered £400 million from the pension fund and a further El00 million of MGN's investment funds. Debt, meunwhile, stands at £340. million. There are also fears that more liabilities will be discovered in the course of the multiple investigations by the Serious Frand Office.

Pearson, which announced its plans to bid for the six MGN titles a month ago, has become the second prospec-tive buyer to pull out blaming "the numbers". Tiny Row land's Loutho, owner of the Observer, dropped out of the race two weeks after entering it, blaming its decision on "the black hole".

Pearson's decision, taken at a board meeting on Friday. leaves the management buyout, led by Richard Stott, Pearson became highly frus-





Turning his back on the Daily Mirror: Frank Barlow, head of Pearson, which withdrew from bidding after studying MGN's finances

editor of the Dally Mirror, and becked by Electra, the venture capitalists, with no apparent competition.

A spokesman for the MBO said the announcement of Pearson's pullout was "not entirely unexpected". He added: "We believe it to be the right decision for Pearson, and remain confident that the right conclusion for the Daily Mirror is a management buyout. That view seems to be gaining ground".

Pearson might be tempted back if the administrators wrote off a significant part of the lightlities and asked them back. It is understood that trated in its efforts to prise information out of Arthur Andersen, administrator to the private Maxwell family businesses. Pearson approached Ernest Burrington, the chairman of MGN, and subset if Lazards, its merchant bank, could be furnished with the numbers direct. The an-

not like what it found. Frank Barlow, Pearson's managing director, said yesterday: "In light of the information now available, we have decided not to pursue the acquisition. It looks like there will be no more solid information until MGN accounts are published at the

swer was yes and Pearson did

end of February or early March. That would have left us hanging about for a long

Mr Barlow strongly denied speculation that Lord Blakenham, Pearson's chairman, and James Joll, its finance director, had intervened to stop the deal. Several reports have suggested there was a boardroom split between Mr Barlow and Lord Blakenham, but yesterday Mr Barlow dismissed it as "pure twaddle". He said: "I was the one who proposed we should not carry on. The liabilities are too great, and

still unknown." Pearson said it made its announcement to the Stock Exchange "on the evening of Friday, January 10," adding that in the normal course of events the announcement would have been released to the stock market this

"In the light of comments in today's press it seems sensible to make it available today The full announcement

from Pearson reads: "After careful consideration of the available information on Mirror Group Newspapers' financial affairs, the board has decided not to pursue the acquisition".

The Daily Mirror contin-

old hit hardest by iob losses BY PHILIP BASSETT INDUSTRIAL EDITOR RISING unemployment is

Young and

hitting the youngest and the oldest workers hardest, according to the latest monthly analysis by The Times of the number of jobless people in Britain.

The markedly different im-

pact of unmeployment on the young, and to a lesser extent those aged over 60, comes as ministers are braced for a 30,000 December rise in the 2.5 million jobless in figures to be published on Thursday. Looking at unadjusted unemployment totals (the actual number of people out of work) broken down by age, unemployment among 18 to 19-year-olds rose 59.2 per cent between April 1990 and October 1991. Over the same

period, total unemployment

for all ages rose 49.2 per cent. The increase for workers aged 60 and over was even higher, at 67.8 per cent, but this was pushed up by a 69 per cent increase among men, while the number of 60 plus women losing jobs fell 16.7 per cent over the period. Among the youngest, rising unemployment over the period has hit men harder, with a 62 per cent increase, against 54.6 per cent for 18-19 year-old women. However, more recent analysis shows the position reversing. with the rate of rise for young women growing more quickly than that for young men. When the next age band, of

young people aged 20-24, is taken into account, the rise in unemployment is concentrated even more among them. Over the period since the number out of work started to rise again, unemployment for this age group has gone up

Though the rise in unemployment has been fastest among the young, it is highest as a proportion of the jobless total among 20-to-24 year-olds, who form 21.6 per cent of the unemployed, and among people in their thirties, who form 21 per cent. ☐ Britain is at the bottom of the jobs league table, with the worst jobs record of any European Community or Group of Seven country, the Labour party says today. In its analysis of international job comarisons, Labour between the second quarters of 1990 and 1991 Britain lost 706,000 jobs while Germany increased jobs by 637,000. Italy by 300,000 and France by 201,000.

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Vestey debt will be rescheduled

BY COLIN CAMPBELL

Vestey family-owned Dewhurst butchers to agro-business chain, should win breathing space from its lending banks this week when debts totalling £350 million are formally rescheduled.

Negotiations between Union and a nine-bank steering group that started last October, when group debts totalled \$423 million, have been crystalised. The agreement is understood to involve a three-year standstill on outstanding debt, and a fresh capital injection from the Vestey family.

The debt breakthrough will give Terry Robinson, who

UNION International, the of chief executive last Tuesday, a stronger platform from which to implement urgently needed financial restructuring plans.

Union made profits of £12.5 million in the 1990 financial year, but because of heavy property writedowns and adverse currency movements is likely to have plunged into losses in 1991.

The nine-bank steering group, led by Lloyds, found that though Union was rich in assets, the flow of profits was uneven. The alternative to debt rescheduling might have been extensive asset sales among the 1,000 Dewhurst butchers' shops and

EC sees chance of **April Gatt deal**

BY COLIN NARBROUGH, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

THE European Community's demand for "substantial improvements and essential modifications" to a draft agreement on freer world trade is intended to cover a climbdown over the key issue of agricultural support, according to trade officials.

Trade and farm ministers agreed in Brussels on the call for modifications to the draft put forward before Christmas by Arthur Dunkel, director general of the Ganeral Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. But the ministers also called for a "rapid conclusion" to the round. Comments from Ray MacSharry, the agricul-

line for conclusion is considered by the commission to be achievable.

The softer EC stance reflects mounting pressure by an alliance around Britain and Germany that believes the confidence and growth a Gatt accord will fuel far nutweighs any benefits from continuing to block progress on farm subsidies. Mr Dunkel said on Friday he does not see much scope for changing his draft without risking the whole package. President Bush is expected to seek the political and economic benefits of a world trade accord.

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Mr Dunkel's mid-April deadother worldwide operations. was appointed to the new post Over-hyped, overwritten, over here

FROM PHILIP ROWNSON IN NEW YORK

A EUROPEAN future is being planned for Variety. America's trade bible of the entertainment industry. known best for its brusque, almost untranslatable, headlines. However, those at next month's Berlin Film Festival where a new section of the paper for the continent will be taunched, may have some difficulty with screamers like

"Stix Nix Hix Pix". Variety Europe will start as a special insert for the 35,000 circulation weekly edition, but Peter Bart, the editorial director, says it is expected to grow into a separate European publication. An Asian edition is also

planned. Mr Bart said: "Europe is becoming a much more im-



Heading for Europe: Variety to launch in Berlin

portant part of the world entertainment industry and we must meet that." It is estimated that the income generated by the entertainment industry will rise from \$200 billion now to \$377 billion by the end of the decade. Two out of every three dollars of the increase will be generat-

ed outside America. Variety, bought by Reed In-ternational in 1987, believes the new section will attract 32,000 new readers within two years. Variety claims each magazine has between

three and four readers, roughly double the industry

average, to make a readership of 118,000. Analysts say that apart-from a lack of real competition, readers are attracted by the magazine's idiosyncratic style and use of language, described by Mr Bart as slanguage — a cross between

English and stang.
Among its most famous headlines, "Stix Nix Hix Pix" ran over a story reporting how audiences in suburban and rural areas were rejecting some of the movie block-busters of the time. When Warner Brothers agreed a merger with Time magazines for almost \$14 billion, the front page headline read: "There's no Bigness like Show Bigness".

Above the lead story of the \$6.2 billion purchase of MCA and Universal studios by Matsushita Electric Industrial Company, of Japan, ran the banner headline in untranslated Japanese "Buyer Beware".

Advertising revenue rose 14 per cent last year, when the recession cut income at other magazines, forcing some to close. At 2,000, its UK circulation is the largest single market in Europe, where circulation totals 5,000. The magazine has been available in Britain

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ues to secure advertising and

continues to be published. A

detailed memorandum of

sale, which relies on a full set

of accounts, has yet to be

drawn up, making an eventu-

al sale of the Daily Mirror

unlikely for at least six

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the House of Commons today

over the money missing from

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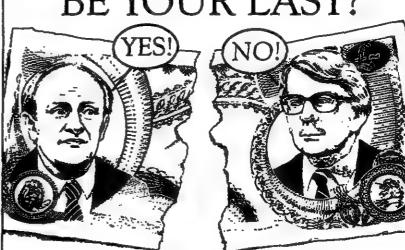
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Guidelines set for top pay awards

By Philip Bassett, industrial editor

COMPANIES should show that due regard is given to shareholders' and employees' interests and the company's commercial and financial health when setting senior executives pay rises, according to guidelines published today on behalf of non-executive company directors.

The role of non-executive directors has come under scrutiny in recent arguments over pay rises given to senior managers, especially those in newly privatised companies.

ProNed, which promotes the work of non-executive directors, describes the guidelines over top pay in the private sector as "hard-hit-

Chambers urge tax reforms

BY OUR INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

THE government should reform advance corporation tax in the Budget, according to the chambers of commerce.

The Association of British Chambers of Commerce recommends that the £8.500 threshold as a base for taxable expenses should be raised to the same level as the higher rate tax threshold.

The association also calls for the removal of the 25 per cent restriction on the amount of taxable profits that can be set against advance corporation tax and urges the abolition of inheritance tax. ☐ The Confederation of British Industry is to investigate ways of speeding up and improving planning decisions.

ting". Following a survey last month of the top 100 companies, which showed that 86 per cent have a remuneration committee for top rises, but that only 56 per cent of those committees were made up of non-executive directors. Pro-Ned says all companies should have such committees to set pay and that they should be made up only of

independent non-executives. Details of the committees' pay policies, including the separation of salary and bonus elements of remuneration packages, and an explanation of the principles on which performance payments or bonuses are made. should be published in com-

pany annual reports.
ProNed says: "Securing the legitimacy of the awards given to Britain's top businessmen is essential if the boards of companies listed on the London Stock Exchange are to command respect."

Meanwhile, the Campaign for Work pressure group in a report says that more closely co-ordinated pay bargaining is possible within Britain's decentralised private sector economy without the full synchronisation of pay setting.

The group, together with some academics, Labour and trade union leaders, and with the interest of senior government figures, is pressing for greater co-ordination of pay in Britain. Some believe such co-ordination would help cut

unemployment. The report says that a number of elements of pay setting, including the going rate, consultation between companies and the desire of pay setters not to be knowingly adrift of others, all run with the grain of the proposal for greater pay

Defining the lead role at Ratners

James McAdam must prove he is running the show at Ratners to find City favour, says Gillian Bowditch

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s Ratners Group starts 1992 with two executives at the helm, the City is speculating what Gerald Ratner's role will be in the company that bears his name.

The revelations last week that the group would incur a £72 million loss in the current year, including £45 million of exceptional charges, were in-terpreted by the City as "kitchen sink" accounting. James McAdam, the new chairman, will start the financial year on February 2 with a dean slate, they say.

Ratners Group's American preference shareholders will learn on Wednesday whether or not they will receive the dividend payment due on their shares. The group, which has said it will pay no dividend on the ordinary shares, is widely expected to waive the paymen However, it is Mr Ratner's

role in the company, which was once his family business, that is concentrating the minds of analysts. To satisfy the institutional shareholders, Mr McAdam will have to prove he is at the helm. That much he knows. Of his new job, he says: "It's

going to be pretty demand-ing, time wise. I will be in here every day. I will be tack-ling the financial issues, looking at the organisation and the structure. That will leave Gerald much freer to do what he is good at - running the commercial side of the busi-

Mr McAdam admits to knowing nothing about the jewellery market but is at pains to point out his retailing experience, which includes forming Country Ca-suals and being involved with the management of Jaeger for Coats Viyelia.

The City will also want to see a frank approach to the



Gerald Ratner, the chief executive, constantly on his shoulder at Ratners

presentation of future accounts. Mr McAdam said: "We want to be totally up front, and it is one of the things I'm very comfortable with. I think Ratners has handled its financial affairs very responsibly and uses its auditors and advisers properly. Its problem is a trading problem. I have no underlying worry about the integrity of the business."

He refuses to give a break-down of the £45 million of exceptional items except to say that much of the sum is due to provisions. With regard to the group's bankers, he says: "Discussions are

being held with the banks. I look forward to ongoing dis-cussions. I've seen the banks. I have talked to them and I am happy that I will get their

here refinancing is concerned, the group appears to be comfortable within its facilities, at least until the autumn. Mr McAdam said: "We have facilities of about £450 million. Our needs depend on Christmas trade. The peak cash requirement is end of October. The Euro-convertible has been provided for. Beyond that, I can't say. We

have no need for more finance in the short term."

Mr McAdam believes morale is good. He dismisses the gaffe made by Mr Ratner at the Institute of Directors conference in April as unimportant. "There has been so much nonsense talked about the IOD speech. The recession is what has affected this

business. The speech may have affected the Ratners stores but that has been minimal. I don't think it has affected the US or other parts of. the business. The coverage it received has been unfair to the organisation and unfair to the individual".

BUSINESS HOUNDUP

Survey points to more economic gloom

BUSINESS confidence in Britain has started the new year with a whimper, pointing to further gloom in the short term and contradicting the government's hopes of an economic recovery. A survey by Dun & Bradstreet, the business information company, shows that confidence has continued to fall since September. Six out of ten of the 1,800 company managing directors surveyed see no improvement in either sales or new orders, while eight out of ten will either be not recruiting staff or shedding them. Although the outlook for profits has improved, six out of ten still see no improvement in the short term. Philip Mellor, D&B's marketing manager, said: "Expectations for new sales and orders are still way below the levels of July 1000 of the onest of recession." below the levels of July 1990, at the onset of recession."

Gold-back bonds plan

THE former Soviet Union asked Japanese securities firms to THE former Soviet Union asked Japanese securines firms to underwrite and help it float gold-back bonds on the Tokyo and European financial markets, according to Yomiuri Shimbun, a Tokyo newspaper. Enquiries were expected to be brought up again now that the Commonwealth of Independent States had emerged to link former Soviet republish. The proposed issuance of bonds, which can be redeemed for could be seen to designed to seem here currency while gold or cash, is designed to secure hard currency while preventing a further outflow of gold reserves from the former superpower, the world's third largest gold producer.

Cluff cash call closes

CLUFF Resources' 11-for-20 rights issue at 34p a share to raise £8.3 million towards developing the Ayanfuri open pit gold mine in Ghana closes at 3 pm today. Cluff traded at 29p on Friday, and the take-up level is expected by tomorrow. The issue is underwritten by Kleinwort Benson Securities. Algy Cluff, chairman, said at the time of the November rights announcement that the payback period was expected to be 2.35 years, at a gold price of \$350 an ounce, and that average operating costs were likely to be \$169 an ounce.

Young leads trade visit

SIR George Young, the housing and planning minister, is leading a team of contractors, developers and planning specialists, to Germany this month in a determined attempt to win a large slice of the multi-billion pound reconstruction programme in what was East Germany. The ten-strong delegation, which will include Bovis, Laing Management, Wimpey, Ove Arup and Allott Lomax, the consultants, the Regalian group of companies and Stanhope Properties, will have its first meeting in Bonn on January 21.

Oil find is 'largest'

THE Philippine government and an American oil explora-tion company have located what they describe as the largest oil find in the South East Asian country. Commercial operations could begin in May. Alcorn International says a third well at the West Linapacan site off the western island of Palawan has produced 4,500 barrels a day, Alcom expects between 15 and 20,000 bpd at three wells if operations start in May or June. The site was said to hold up to 109 million barrels and the reserve could last up to 20 years.

Tebbit to present awards

NORMAN Tebbit, the former trade and industry secretary and Conservative party chairman, has agreed to the 1991 Coopers Deloitte Pic awards for smaller companies, sponsored in association with The Times.
Mr Tebbit will present the

awards at a gala dinner at the Grosvenor House hotel in London on March 19.

The awards cover fully listed companies as well as those whose shares trade on the Unlisted Securities Market. They are open to com-panies with a market capitalisation of up to £185 million. will be presented in six categories - best performing share; best annual report; analyst of the year; new company of the year, for companies that went public in 1991: entrepreneur of the year, and

company of the year. Votes may now be cast in all categories except best per-forming share. A shortlist will be produced from which voting panel. The closing date is February 15.

SMALL COMPANIES

Ipeco managing to sit comfortably

erely shaken by a sharp down-million made in 1990. the Gulf war, gradually regained confidence in the final months of 1991, although ambitions for growth have been scaled down until the recession loosens its grip.

New aircraft development and fleet upgrades have resumed and orders are again being placed with suppliers. Today. Ipeco Holdings, manufacturer of aviation and defence products, is expected to announce a contract to supply flight deck seats for the new Boeing 777.

Ipeco estimates the contract is worth \$14 million. The company, which is based at Southend, is one of the world's leading designers and manufacturers of aircraft crew seats.

The Boeing contract will increase interest in the company's financial results for the year to December, when pretax profits are expected to remain almost unchanged at

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was an il per cent fall in profits but the dividend was maintained at 1.2p a share. Analysts also expect the final dividend to be at least maintained at 2p, making an unchanged total of 3.2p for the

The aerospace division, which includes Ipeco Europe. the seat maker, has been largely unaffected by the difficulties of the airline industry. Earlier in the year, when the industry was viewed as being in deep trouble. I peco landed contracts from Saab and Mc-Donnell Douglas.

After the conclusion of the Gulf war, Ipeco's shares, which had traded unchanged at 55p in the opening eight weeks of the year, were re-rated and have since been steady at about 75p in a tight market. The prospective p/e of 9.25 is not demanding and suggests further growth. MARTIN BARROW

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AN INCREASING number of graduates are turning to postgraduate qualifications to enhance their prospects. once the unturn in the econo my has materialised. One such option is the master of business administration (MBA) degree.

The Times is sponsoring the 1992 MBA fair at the Business Design Centre, Islington, London, on February 6 and 7. This event, now in its second year, is organised by the London University careers advisory service with the association of MBAs. It has already attracted bookings from 39 business schools, including 20 from the United Kingdom, 12 from continental Europe and seven from America, the home of the

The MBA is seen as the business-related areas.

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Asda could slump to just £7.5m

ARCHIE Norman, former Kingfisher finance director, who has barely spent a month at the heim of Asda Group, is expected to unveil gloomy first haif figures when the troubled supermarket group reports on Wednesday. Asda's interim pre-tax prof-

its are expected to slump to £7.5 million (£60.8 million), says Paul Smiddy, at Kleinwort Benson, Market forecasts range from profits of £30 million to losses of £15 million. An interim dividend of 1.25p (1.85p) was promised by the debt-laden group at the time of last autumn's deeply-discounted £357 million rights issue. The second quarter was

poor for the industry, but Asda fared worse than others. In addition, fresh asset writedowns, largely on a declining property market, may accompany the figures.

The shares have declined to 28 ap on Friday, against last year's high of 123p and the 35p rights price.

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REPORTING THIS WEEK

Slimmer profits menu: Archie Norman, of Asda

Hutchings and recently in-cluded in the FT-SE 100.

UBS Phillips & Drew expects £44 million pre-tax profits, up from £31.1 million last time. P&D predicts earnings per share of 9p (8.2p) and an interim dividend of 3.3p

Philip Morrish, of Smith New Court, expects final pretax profits at Evode Group, the adhesives and industrial coatings company, to slump to £6.5 million from £15.2 million and the final dividend to 0.22p (4.64p). Smith New Court forecasts interim pretax profits of £7.75 million (£10.6 million) at Ellis & Everard, the chemicals company. The interim dividend should be held at 2.25p.

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TOMORROW

Stakis, the debt-laden Scottish hotels-to-leisure group, chaired by Sir Lewis Robertson, the company doctor, is likely to disclose £46.6 million final pre-tax losses of (£30.6 million profit) after property writedowns and restructuring costs, according to County NatWest WoodMac. The dividend is forecast to be halved to 1.35p (2.7p).

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lion) says County. Interless: Aberforth Split Level Trust, Barbour Index, Bucknall Group, Debenham Tewson & Chinnocks, Exmoor Dual Invest-ment Trust, Howden Group, West Trust, Nobo Group.

Finals: Burndene Investments, Crown Communications, Euro-therm International, Stakis. Economic statistics: Capital issues and redemptions (Decamber); producer price index numbers (Decamber – provisional).

WEDNESDAY

Andrew Yeo, of the smaller companies team at Hoare Govett, expects Southern Business Group, the photocopier lessor, to report fullyear pre-tax profits of about

time, according to UBS Phil-lips & Drew. Market forecasts range from losses of £40 million to £70 million. However, trols maker, is expected to report final pre-tax profits of about £7 million (£13.2 mil-

Despite a poor summer, First Leisure, is expected to buck the depressed trend with final pre-tax profits of £29.5 - £33 million (£29.2 million).

a maintained dividend of 6.4p is predicted. laterims: Hampson Industries, Markheath, Stanley Leisure Org-

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Finals: Davenport Vernon, Lockers, Microgen Holdings, Selective Assets Trust, TSB Group.
Economic statistics: Institutional investment (third quarter); labour market statistics (December – merket statistics (December – provisional); average earnings indices (November – provisional); average earnings indices (November – provisional); employment, hours, productivity and unit wage costs; industrial disputes; provisional figures of vehicle production (December).

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Oxford Investment Trust, Wyko Group, Zetters Group.
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THURSDAY

Bad debt provisions at Hill

Samuel, the merchant bank-

ing section of TSB Group, are

expected to pass £400 million

for the year — affected by the group's exposure to Brent Walker — and will dominate

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pected to plunge to a pre-tax loss of £60 million, against a

profit of £312 million last

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FRIDAY Interims: Abtrust Scotland Invest-

Interima: Abtrust Scotland Invest-ment Co, Lazard Select Invest-ment Trust, Peel Holdings, Sut-cliffe Speakman.
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Changing the **ERM** game

as the US cavalry arrived just in time to save the pound, or at least Britain's reserves? Europe was certainly caught on the hop by Thursday's leap in the lagging dollar. But that is how speculative markets make a sharp turn, as dealers have to close positions in a hurry. President Bush's economic harvest in Tokyo was more excuse than cause for a change of sentiment and Friday's American job figures, greeted as cause for a further upturn, could as easily be read the other way. A bevy of other December statistics will test any nascent dollar recovery this week. For several weeks, however, the ingredients have been assembling for a turn, at some stage, in the dollar's relationship to the mark, if not to the yen.

After a long slide, the last fall and rise in American and German interest rates pushed the dollar back to its DM 1.5 level of a year ago, if not yet to the record February low of DM 1.45, which will surely be tested if last week's rally fails. At that time, America's economy was falling into its long recession and unification was turbocharging Germany's boom. Today, things look different. American sales and output are trying, splutteringly, to turn up. Germany is running out of puff. The interest rate curve suggests short-term rates have reached a peak in Germany, since it is not headed for a sustained fight money Reaganomic boom America's rates must be near rock bottom.

That logic could be on hold for some time. however. Helmut Schlesinger's transitional Bundesbank council, displaying an unsubity atavistic streak, is trumpeting its determination to keep rates high for the foreseeable future. Nothing in America's "recovery" is yet out of character with an economy merely bumping along the bottom. No one can yet be sure, therefore, that this is really the dollar's turning point.

The Chancellor and the Governor of the Bank of England must certainly hope the US cavalry keeps charging. In market psychology, that would be a much more diverting game than "get the pound", pushing sterling's awkward weakness into the background. Thursday's resulting technical discomfort for sterling in the ERM need not last. If a dollar trend is established, it will imply specific weakening of the mark within the ERM, where the last rate rise left it well above its central rates. The mark makes up 30 per cent of the ecu, so a fall should greatly ease the underlying weakness of the pound, now 3:2 per cent below its central ecu rate against 2.2 per cent at the previous low in December 1990.

That is not the Governor's pressing problem. Steding and the pescia, the two newcomers learning the ropes in the ERM; are causing each other trouble at opposite extremes of their wide bands. Sterling breached its peseta limit twice last week. If the problem can be limited to the peseta, however, targeted or even compulsory Hank of England intercemen situalit contain it without strain on the reserves. Blame for difference is purity equally shared. Spain is embarrassed by high short term interest rates, shill about 12.5 per cent they have by now achieved all they will incombing them. country's stubborn inflation, and must fall soon. Britain, having entered sterling into the club at an artificially high rate, must accept the consequence that, with inflation no longer falling, interest rates can make no further contribution to recovery, without devaluation. The government has ruled that out, to bolster confidence, but has not admitted the implication. If a senseless rise in interest rates is equal public flourish that he will not cut rates again before sterling has recovered its central ecu rate hoping the mark will achieve much of that for him.

Promoting economic benefit of a new trade agreement

Colin Narbrough

finds that the man who chaired Gatt talks for five years knows the passion they can arouse

of the world trade talks set to more than five years of negotiations largely out of the public eye, Arthur Dunkel, the Swiss director general of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, thinks it is time for governments to draw public attention to the economic impact of a successful

The career trade diplomat, who has chaired the talks throughout, has bitter experience of what fears about the loss of protection can do. He has had to face a mob of angry Swiss farmers trying to force the door of the Gan headquarters in Geneva. Usually peaceful Switzerland last week saw thousands of protesting farmers on the streets, voicing alarm that the Gatt round would spell the death of Alpine agriculture.

Elsewhere, the round would appear too impenetrable for public consumption. Yet liberalised trade in agricultural goods, services and intellectual property, the new ground being broken, inevitably means a shift of advan-tage and disadvantage in international trade. Nor will further reduction of pariffs on manufactured goods leave trading patterns unaffected.

At the political level, the round has proved remarkably easy to put on the back burner, even though it is accepted that it would give a welcome "vitamin shot" to an ailing world economy. Oddly, given the London economic summit's commitment in July to give the Uruguay round top priority, the deadline for conclusion by the end of 1991. already a year overdue, was allowed to slip once more.

In an interview with The Friday set mid-April as the new target, made it clear he could not imagine that the politicians would let the round fail. He expects today's meeting of the chief negotiators to give formal blessing to "fast-forwarding" the round on the basis of his 450-page draft text, even if some participants, primarily the European Community, seek to mask their rejection of proposals for agricultural trade with the fig-leaf of a demand for "sub-



Bitter experience: Arthur Dunkel has had to face an angry mob of Swiss farmers

stantial and essential modifications".

That wording, which emerged from the Brussels meeting of European Community farm and trade ministers on Saturday, has a softer tone than the flat rejection minis-ters issued after their last meeting. Despite his natural caution, Mr Dunkel imposed his own compromise on the farm issue in the draft text, drawing fierce attack from Brussels and Paris that he was too biased in the Americans' favour. The transatiantic row over agricultural support has been the main obstacle throughout the round.

With no sign that the EC or America were closing the budget spending on subsidies and tonnages, and the inclusion of direct payments to farmers to compensate them for subsidy cuts in the reduction process

Although far short of the cuts of up to 90 per cent Washington had initially demanded, the Dunkel paper was condemned by Louis Mermaz, the French farm minister, as leading to "ruin" in the European farming industry. Washington's response to the Dunkel paper is not clear, but Carla Hills, the combative American trade representative, appears to be trying to highlight the success the administration is having in opening markets other than the Japanese car

marion Given the boost to growth and political popularity President Bush needs from a suc-

kel expects Mrs Hills will have a mandate to be flexible. With Japan squared by President Bush, he believes an isolated EC would not resist a

Mr Dunkel considers the medicine prescribed for agriculture rather gentle. "Given that the round has taken five years, the ten-year period for phasing in changes does not

seem too long," he noted. "In agriculture, the draft text does not represent a revolution but an evolution." He had always expected agriculture issue to be the "most difficult to take forward" and is clearly encouraged by the movement that has occured since last February, when he had nothing to show in this area. A key problem for him has been trying to arbitrate between two sides unsure of their own position, a criticism mainly intended for the EC. He accepts that he took a risk when presenting his draft package in December, but thinks governments involved have a duty to coming generations to ensure a smooth

working trading system. Convinced President Bush wants an early agreement. and needs it all the more after his troubled Pacific tour, Mr Dunkel said:"We are practically beyond the point of no return." Even if the round was to suffer an "accident" at this late stage, he believes governments would soon want to try again to address

Shifting economic power meant no single participant at the Gan talks could act as the locomotive for trade liberalisation, as the Americans had in the past. Mr Dunkel said America, still the biggest economy, needed an instrument to look after its interests. The danger, otherwise, is that the Americans will seek to make their own arrangements, as they have with Japan. If the Uruguay round were agreed, there would be no longer be any need for Washington to go its own way. The Gatt's role as global watchdog for free and fair rade would come to the fore. 'Acceptance of this package would be a great step forward

In Pole position for mass sell-off

ing to Tomasz Gruszecki, the new Polish privatisation minister, but reservations over the speed of economic reform will make it more difficult for foreign companies to make direct acquisitions.

The centre-right government under prime minister Jan Olszewski is about to move from a dual strategy of privatisation, with mass privatisation alongside direct sales to foreign companies, in favour of mass privatisation, which is regarded as politically more acceptable. This may lead potential western investors to look elsewhere in eastern Europe. The change in emphasis comes amid increased pressure in Poland to prevent asset sales "on the cheap" to foreigners and symptoms of reform fatigue.
As an adviser to the Polish

government, Jan Ledochowski, director of SG Warburg, the British merchant bank, defended this strategy on political grounds, saying it represented a dislike for centrally planned decisions. It also reflected a degree of xenophobia, he conceded, while adding that "one should not plan the future of Poland on the basis of direct

foreign investment". He said: The argument is not whether Poland should be like America but how quickly it will be like America. The first stage of mass

privatisation will in-clude 200 companies. Under the scheme, western fund managers are bidding to manage investment funds that will control the companies. The deadline for the bids is next month. Initially, the funds will be owned by the state, but ownership will later pass to Polish citizens. The funds will own 60 per cent of the companies under management, a further 30 per cent will be retained by the state and the last 10 per cent will be owned by the management

Foreign investment would be possible once the funds restructure the companies under management and begin to sell off individual companies.
WOLFGANG MÜNCHAU

European Business Correspondent

THE TIMES

Manley Cooper back in London

A LIVELY homecoming is in store for Justin Manley-Cooper, one of the City's rising stars, who flew in to London last week after a three-and-a-half year spell in the New York offices of County NatWest. Manley Cooper, aged 31, set up County's Australian and Hong Kong desks - the latter was shut down early last year — and was broking Australian shares in London before crossing the Atlantic. "I am now looking for somewhere to live," says Manley-Cooper. who spent eight years on the asset management team at Morgan Grenfell prior to joining County in 1988 and has been given a month or so to settle down before starting work once more. His family has a proud place in British military folklore. His father, Norman, was one of the crew. of the Swordfish squadron which attacked and crippled the German battleship Bismarck on May 26 1941.

Tied up.

CITY people are still recling from the bicentenary celebrations of Charles Stanley, one of Britain's largest private client stockbrokers, which invited about 750 guests to a bash at Armoury House, City Road, on Thursday evening, The revellers were each given a navy blue ne sporting a series of zig-zags, which bear more than a passing resemblance to the FT-SE 100 and Michel Roux's gastroindex on a bad day. "It's nomic empire, to provide actually going up." insists catering, and hence takes its David Howard, the managing place alongside Rothschild ing director and son of Sir. Asset Management as well as



"For next Christmas I'd like a nice new for sale

Edward Howard, a former Lord Mayor of London and chairman of the company. The guests included Brian Winterflood, of Winterflood Securities, who is looking tanned and fit after a trip to Zimbabwe during which he and his wife. Doreen, managed to flip their raft while tackling the rapids on the Zambezi River. Charles Stanley's archives include a share certificate of May 1889, in the name of Barney Barnato, founder of De Beers, who was lost at sea, while returning to England, in almost the same spot as Robert Maxwell.

Roux on the menu REGULAR diners at James Capel's leafy offices on Bevis Marks will be pleased to learn that the firm has gone upmarket. It has hired Roux Asset Management as well as

son, which signed them up six wears ago. The Roux brothers. who in 1967 opened Le Gavroche in London's Mayfair - the first restaurant in Britain to receive three Michelin Guide stars - and own The Waterside Inn at Bray, Berkshire, along with everal City haunts, must be only too pleased with their latest venture. The sad news is that Capel made all its inhouse catering staff redun-dant just after Christmas.

its old rival, Kleinwort Ben-

Close shaves

WITH three months to go before Euro Disney, the giant theme park east of Paris, is due to open its doors, the Disney corporation seems to be having a hard time finding enough staff. Disney has hired an employment agency in London to recruit 250 staff and has brought in something "large, pink and inflat-able" in east London in the hope of appealing to sunny and cheerful locals. The job descriptions are a little puzzling, since Disney is apparently insisting staff should have "no facial hair". Quite how Snow White will react to seven unbearded dwarfs remains to be seen.

That's showbiz NEARLY 800 underprivileged children had a fun time at Coopers & Lybrand Deloitte's annual pantomime last week. Directing the show, however, was another matter. The man chosen for the task, Stephen O'Sullivan, an oil and gas economist with the firm, was left tearing his hair in dismay after three partners dropped out, because of overwork, and Julian Bates, one of

the stars, announced he was defecting to Andersen Consulting, one of Coopers' old rivals. O'Sullivan promptly took on the role of Professor Jones in the production of All Baba and the Forty Thieves. and survived the experience - despite crashing in to the set on one occasion. "I almost brought the house down," says O'Sullivan, aged 31, who is a former oil trader with BP and Total.

RED faces at the International Petroleum Exchange, which sent out an invitation to a cocktail party in honour of a "Soviet" delegation. It has now rushed out a second invitation to a lunch, referring to the guests as "Rus-sian" and including roast beef on the menu. But will the Russians eat it?

Give us a job

WHAT is going on in the world of accountancy? Asked to name their ideal gift over the festive season, trainee accountants, who only a year ago had been happy to claim BMWs, Porsches and Ferraris, said they would now be far happier with a plain. simple mountain bike. Others made world peace a priority, in a quiz in Pass Magazine, along with requests for personal computers and even one or two for Kim Basinger — preferably clad in a Batman suit. "It's a sign of the culture shock which has hit the profession over the last year," says Ken Robson, of Harrison Willis, the financial recruitment consultant that commissioned the survey. But the top reply should surprise no one. Most of them wanted nothing more than a job.

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Academics fear that switching teacher training to schools could lead to cutbacks, says John O'Leary

Teachers trained on the cheap?

have been as well trailed as those proposed by Kenneth Clarke, the education secretary, for teacher training. Education departments saw the switch from colleges to schools coming months, if not years, ago.

The result has been the gradual spread of school-based courses for graduates going into teaching, acknowledged in the inspectorate report that accompanied Mr Clarke's speech to the North of

England education conference.

The principle of training teachers in schools has been widely accepted. What took the academ ics by surprise in Mr Clarke's announcement was the scale and character of the switch he proposed. The 80 per cent minimum. suggested for the proportion of students' time to be spent in schools is greater than that achieved by the most enthusiastic proponents of school-based training. The financial implications. combined with the loss of ultimate responsibility for the students. could threaten the existence of some departments.

Students at Oxford and Sussex universities, regarded as the model for school-based training, spend two-thirds of their time in schools. Both departments see educational and financial drawbacks to meeting the new requirements.

The former teacher training colleges, long accused of championing the trendy teaching methods many blame for inadequate educational standards, will be largely unaffected by the changes. Most concentrate on the Bachelor of Education (BEd) degree, which is not part of the reform package. Mr Clarke's proposals cover only the Postgraduate, Certificate in Education (PGCE) for graduates going into secondary schools, which is run meinly in universities

Unless there are unexpected changes as a result of the conspitation, selected schools will

for training these students within three years. Mentors appointed by headteachers would look after students, assessing their performance at the end of a course partly designed by the schools. Collegebased parts of courses will have to be relevant to classroom practice.

Until the government's plans are finalised, it will be impossible to gauge the impact on teams of academics, whose research has been behind many recent curricuhum developments. The two higher education funding councils have set aside £2.5 million to aid the transition, and the government has added £3 million, but the departments could lose much more even if they win contracts for the new-style training courses. More than \$40 million is spent now on secondary PGCE courses.

At the conference, Mr Clarke spoke of "a considerable shift of funds from colleges to schools" as more work was transferred. The training institutions will be expected to reimburse their partner schools for their ex-

tra costs, placing a potentially unbearable strain on those receiving most of their money for students on PGCE courses. Income from other courses will prop up many departments, but Mr Clarke has al-

ready hinted at similar changes in primary courses, and a shortening of the BEd from four years to three. Some staff will be expected to transfer to the new training schools, but ministers wish to contain schools costs and not recreate a more expensive version of the system being dismantled.

Teacher trainers are already forecasting departmental closures. Maurice Galton, the professor of education at Leicester University,



Teaching and learning: more training time may be spent in school, and colleges could suffer

are happy to see that proportion

rise as long as it is going to be

it is going to be done, but if we lose 80 per cent of our funding and yet we are still expected to shoulder the expense of maintaining the library and other administration costs, we might decide it was not a

viable proposition."

At Sussex University, where mentors in schools are unpaid, the school-based course is already running at a hig loss. There is a deficit of £368 per head on a budget of £2,200 for every one of

'Higher education's role in

training is increasing elsewhere

in Europe while the opposite

thrust is contemplated in Britain'

Yet Dr Trevor Paternan, the

director of studies for the course

that pioneered school-based train-

ing 25 years ago, is among many.

academics who expect their

departments to be able to adapt.

There is nothing inconsistent

with the Sussex approach in the

proposals," he says, "although we have reservations about the 80 per

cent limit in the light of the

demands made by the national

curriculum. We already transfer a

third of our budget to schools, and

the 150 graduate trainees.

spent on the training it was provided for." London University's Institute of Education expects to meet the proposed criteria with its new PGCE, transferring professional

studies to schools and using teachers as full members of the training team. The scheme, developed by Professor Eric Bolton, the former head of Her Majesty's Inspecinstitute £300,000 in payments to

schools to release teacher-tutors. pilot project London, has been popular with schools and colleges. However, even this course would have to be modified under

Mr Clarke's plan. Other universities and poly-

technics will have to redesign courses from scratch, and hope that the criteria will be flexible about what counts as school time. Mr Clarke has already raised the possibility of including college work supervised by teachers.
The Universities Council for the

Education of Teachers, which meets on Thursday to discuss the proposals, has raised several ssues with Mr Clarke. The

contrasts the move to wards increasing higher education involvement in teacher training elsewhere in Europe with the opposite thrust contemplated in Britain. The council's officers repeat the warning in last week's HMI report that schools' priority must be to teach pupils, not train students, and foresee difficulties in the selection and operation of training schools.

ike many teacher-trainers, however, they are worried about the way in which a new system would work, not the principle of switching more training into schools. The council has told Mr Clarke: "We support unreservedly the notion of equal partnership between schools and training institutions, the clarifying of their respective and complementary contributions and the appropriate resourcing of those contributions. Indeed, it is the inequality of the partnership you propose which raises many of the particular issues we identify."

There is a sense of injustice among academics in education departments, who see themselves as scapegoats for imagined shortcomings. However, if the changes are applied sensitively, there is more willingness than ministers might expect to make school-

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Parlez-vous réalité?

COMPREHENSIVE school in Newcastle upon Tyne is expected to be the first in Europe to bring "virtual reality" technology into the classroom. West Denton School will be the site of a £100,000 project, funded by the employment department and several commercial parmers. using a desktop virtual-reality system in the teaching of Alevel design, art, physics, languages and computer science. The experiments will start later

The system produces images that move at such high speed that the brain is tricked into believing it is within the world created on screen. In one language project, pupils will have to find their way to a restaurant or shop, buy items and use public transport in an illusory foreign city.

More opting out

THE number of schools opting out of local authority control has almost trebled in a year, according to Choice in Education, an organisation that promotes grant-maintained status. The 104 schools voting to opt out before the start of 1991 have grown to 285, while 96 have rejected

proposals to follow suit. There are now 142 grantmaintained schools in operation. Kenneth Clarke, the education secretary, still has requests from 126 others on which he has to rule.

Head-first

MORE schools are appointing a headteacher at the first attempt than in previous years. researchers at Oxford Polytechnic have reported.

The number of secondary schools having to readvertise posts has halved in a year, and there has been a more modest improvement in the primary sector. One in five primary headships was still not filled at the first attempt during 1991. and in inner London the rate increased to 41 per cent. Church schools had the most difficulty in filling posts.

Fewer jobs

ONE in nine of the blue-chip organisations included in the annual PA Consulting Group

survey of graduate job pros-pects does not intend to recruit any graduates in 1992. The survey confirms the bleak forecasts by employers and careers advisers last week.

New SEAC chief

DR Hilary Nicolle, a former diplomat and headteacher. has been appointed to the newly created post of chief executive of the School Examinations and Assessment Council (SEAC).

After starting her career in the diplomatic service, Dr Nicolle entered teaching, and went on to become the head of the Tiffin Girls' School, in Kingston upon Thames. southwest London. She also served on the National Curriculum Council for two years. and became the deputy director of Wandsworth education authority, in south London.

Lab alert

ARMY bomb squad officers had to neutralise a volatile cocktail of chemicals that had been tipped down a sink at Basildon Tertiary College, in Essex, last week. More than 1,000 students were sent home after a string of explosions in a

chemistry laboratory. Nobody was injured in the incident, but Susan Woodrow, the college principal, promised

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MARKS & Spencer is to sponsor its first professor, at Bournemouth Polytechnic. The company already sponsors a fellowship at Manchester Polytechnic, but the chair in retail management represents a coup for Bournemouth, which expects to become a university next year.

JOHN O'LEARY

Choosing a common reform path: Britain, says Lynne Cheney, above, is a little ahead of America in testing

US learns British lessons

hile Kenneth Clarke, the educaall-round criticism of his reforms, he can take comfort in praise from one of President Bush's closest advisers. The White House is watching Mr Clarke, if only to

learn from the mistakes. Lynne Cheney, the chair-man of the National Endowment for the Humanities, and married to Dick Cheney, the defence secretary, says American reforms are following Britain's. Although central government will leave the detail of reform to the states, it will for the first time lay down certain national standards.

Mrs Cheney, appointed chairman by President Bush. has used her considerable powers to make the endowment a leader in reform and education one of its prime concerns. The endowment has a general brief to nurture the study of history, philosophy, languages, archaeology, the law and

The Americans are keenly watching Kenneth Clarke's reforms

week, she said: "We are working towards a common reform path, although you do seem to be a little ahead of us." This will lead towards a common curriculum and regular testing. Experts in every field, starting with-mathematics and followed by history, will say what Ameri-can children should be expected to learn, but the state, or groups of states, will be left to set their own needs. National testing at nine. 13 and 17 will be introduced from 1993, but, again, precise requirements will be left to the state education departments. There will, how-

ional perspective. Mrs Chency says: "I think the United States will be able to learn from the British experience in testing, which I comparative religion. experience in testing, which I On a visit to Britain last know was at first too time-

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consuming." The lesson Britain has learnt from the US is in teacher training. Mr Clarke only recently an-nounced his intention for all graduate secondary school teachers to be taught mainly in schools. The grip of the teacher training institutions that Mrs Cheney described

as a cosy monopoly leading

to mediocrity was broken in the US about five years ago. The internship system. under which graduates are trained by colleges and senior teachers, bas, Mrs Cheney says, been remarkably successful in raising standards and encouraging bright young graduates to

enter teaching.
"Many people with good degrees want to enter teaching but do not want to go back to college for the mindnumbing courses on offer," Mrs Cheney says. "The alternative certification has also

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raised standards and improved courses in some colleges, where there are

some very bright people."

One side-effect of the system in the US was to increase dramatically the number of teachers from the ethnic minorities who had been put off by the idea of traditional teacher training. Parental choice is the name of the game, Mrs Cheney says. Many states guarantee choice, even allowing groups of teachers and other qualified people to set up their own schools.

The idea of parental choice has been resisted by the teacher unions, although even they are now giving it half-hearted support.

As in Britain, the reforms were promoted initially by industry, which complained that American school-leavers were of too low a calibre. often lacking in basic skills. The campaign was soon joined by parents "in desspair" at the low standards of

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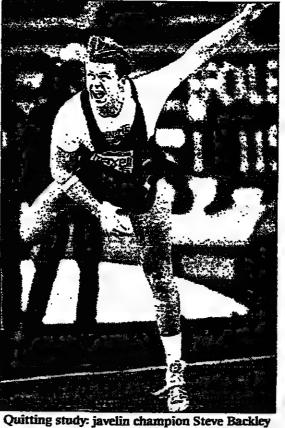


In America, athletes are lured from around the world to colleges and universities. In Britain, Damian Whitworth reports,

Rugby came before a first-class degree: Will Carling

students have more difficulty

pursuing a sporting career



Sporting chance to study

is the enemy. Modelling. ing and meeting the demands of sponsors leave little opportunity for running a simultaneous career, pecially an academic one. British higher education is not flexible enough to cater for those with such

Much has been made of the welcome given to gifted athletes by Oxford and Cambridge colleges and in the past there has always appeared to be a place for good prop forwards and international oarsmen. Nowadays, however, these are rarely undergraduates - unless they get the same A-level grades as everybody else — but postgraduates or affiliated students doing a year at the university as part of a degree

Yet the belief that it is important. to exercise the body to comple-ment the exertions of the mind is as popular today as it was in: ancient times when Juvenul wrote of the ideal of a sound mind in a

Many students develop their sporting skills while at college and have their first international success after they leave, But many who enter student life, having represented their country at junior level, fail to make full international ievel because they cannot cope with study and the necessary hundreds of hours of training. Students who succeed in the sports arena often have to drop out of college to remain successful.

 Almost 40 years ago, the story was different Roger Bannister, and Christopher Brasher and Christopher Chataway, who helped Bannister run the first subfour-minute mile in 1954, had to make no such choice between sport and work. They were hailed

The three subsequently left university with a stack of degrees. But Bannister says the training and competition in those days was more relaxed. "I never trained for more than 40 minutes a day and the maximum mileage for a week was 25, which does not compare with the work put in by the modern athlete," he recalls. Will

Carling, at the start of his England rugby union career, was forced to miss a mur of Australia because he could not postpone his examinations at Durham University. Carling completed his degree but the cost of dedicating himself to topflight rugby was that Durham awarded him a recommended pass degree.

Jason Laslett, a West London Polytechnic undergraduate and the captain of Teddington hockey club, decided the only way he could finish his degree and pre-pare for this year's Olympics was to take a year out from his course. "This summer," he says, "I would be taking my finals, but I had to take a year off. I had to choose between hockey and my course."

Laslett, aged 22, has been capped 65 times by England and Great Britain, and has had a personal coach to train him when the pressure of studying prevented his training with other members of the squad. He was lucky to be given a year out - many institutions are not keen on allowing it and to be able to support himself while training this year.

He says: "I have been sponsored through college by a firm of insurance brokers, which is employing me for this year. The firm is very

good about giving me time off." Steve Backley, the javelin world record holder, in 1989 was a firstyear, aged 20, at Loughborough in his first full season in senior athletics, when he won seven grand prix events. He also took old medals at the Europa Cup, World Student Games and World Cup and broke the Commonwealth and British records.

e was voted athlete of the year for 1989, and was allowed a year off from his course. He has, however, decided not to return to higher education. "If everything goes to plan. I will be in athletics for the next ten years," he said last week, before leaving to spend winter in New Zealand.

Backley claims he could still be a student and compete at the top, pointing out that his great leap forward in the event came when he was still slaving over his sports studies text books. But it is extremely unlikely that he could have maintained his position as the world's no. I while studying.

Athletes find a warmer welcome in the United States. So active are American universities in providing free education for young people with exceptional sporting potential from countries around the world, including Britain, that the term "muscle drain" has been coined. Courses at such universities are structured so that students receive tuition to catch up on lectures missed through training or travelling to fixtures.

Academic qualifications for the courses are, however, often lower than in Britain.

Some colleges have adopted a more American system. in which students switch between faculties and collect credits towards a degree. If higher education in the 21st century moves in this direction, allowing students to work out their own time scale for academic success, Juvenal's plea for mens sana in corpore sano could again be answered by the appearance of a new generation of Renaissance

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Mr Eggar was presumably not suggesting that schools do not do this already but expressing a hope that the new written tests in science and mathematics, in 1992, and eventually English, technology, history, geography and modern languages, all completed by 500,000 14-year-olds at the same time every year, will give more consistency and rigour to teachers' estimates of pupils' ability, and consequently be of

more use to parents. Of course. parents will learn something from the results of these tests, but the tests do not give a final achievement grade. That comes later at 16-plus.

Tests will take place at an important time, when pupils choose courses for the following two years' GCSE pro-

All secondary schools will need to have sorted out student participation in GCSE courses well before the June date that has been set for the 14-plus

In schools with a broad ability spread and wide range of courses at different levels, teachers will be involved in long discussion with pupils and parents. All the necessary information is usually available for this exercise by the end of the spring term, so it follows that schools will either run two sets of week-long examinations, one in March or April, and the new one in June, or will abandon the former and for guidance on continuous assessment of pupils' performances. All this suggests that the new tests will be of little practical help to parents, except in those rare cases when a pupil outperforms himself or herself.

The education department has already pointed out that such occurrences should become even rarer as the whole national curriculum settles down, and teachers have a continuous profile of pupils from the age of five.

This important point tends to get lost in the arguments and counter-arguments about the merits of end-of-year tests. The national curriculum was conceived as a continuum, to enable children to progress in a systematic way, to know what they had to do next and

to realise when they had got there. By the age of 14, pupils will be spread over the of attainment. The ideal time for them to be tested is when they are ready,

tests devised by the National Foundation for Educational Research took this into account

A variety of methods, reflectng the fact that different subjects require different assessment techniques, was tried. However, they became over-claborate and were replaced by the new "simple written tests" approach, which is a blunt instrument applied

right across the ability range. Teachers should show parents and governors the limitations of the new tests while trying to make the best of them. In a technological age, where creative flair, an innovative capacity and technical know-how are at a premium, simple written tests will eventually become a side issue.

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Young guns to have their own shoot-out at Flinders Park to find challenger to the old guard

Courier a threat to the big names

FROM ANDREW LONGMORE TENNIS CORRESPONDENT IN MELBOURNE

AS IF scripting the rivalry for the rest of the year, the men's singles at the Australian Open neatly divides generations. Pooled together in the top half of the draw are the old hands, Stefan Edberg, Boris Becker and Ivan Lendl, holders of five Australian Open rides and 18 grand slam titles between them. In the lower half come the young pretenders, Jim Courier. Michael Stich, Pete Sampras and Goran Ivanisevic.

The next fortnight at the National Tennis Centre at Flinders Park will provide further evidence which, if any, of the recent champions - Courier, the French Open champion, Stich, the Wimbledon champion and Sampras, the former US Open champion - is ready to join the "old firm" as regular

slam winners. The consensus is that the Open, which, with 18 of the top 20 men and women, has its strongest field, is wide open, but Tony Pickard, coach to Edberg, the top seed and world No. i, is not

rather than one-off grand

"I really don't believe it's as open as people think. There has been an awful lot of excitement recently about the new faces and the new order, but none of the players coming up — Stich and Sampras. for example - have proved yet that they can come and do it again. Consistency, that is the sign of the real champion," Pickard said.

The game badly needs one of these guys to grow up. They have the quality and the ability to win more grand slam titles, but there seems to be something going wrong because they don't seem to be

coming through. That is being a little harsh

CYCLO-CROSS

British team

rider has

ankle injury

DAVID Baker, the Raleigh

professional, had an easy vic-

tory at Sheffield yesterday in

the Rutland CC ten-mile

event, his first race since win-

However, Chris Young, of

MBK, the man he dethroned

last weekend, was taken to

hospital with an ankle injury

after crashing. Both riders

are in Britain's team for the

world professional champ-

ionship at Leeds on February

2. Baker finished almost five

minutes clear of the amateur

Richard Thackray, of

Bradford Olympic, for his

sixth win of a season in which

he has lost eight weeks

Steve Douce, of Dawes,

another world championship

team rider, had little trouble

winning the Portsmouth

North End race at Netley.

through illness.

ning the British title.

on Stich and Courier, who only a year ago were not even mentioned as potential onetime champions, but the point is supported by the facts. Of the last six Austra-lian Open titles, Edberg (2), Lendl (2) and Becker (1) have won five

Like it or not - and there are plenty who do not -Courier could be the first to jump the divide. Though he has played only once since the final of the IBM/ATP Tour championships at the end of November, Courier has been looking strong and confident in his preparations. Under the guidance of José Higueras, he has developed more variety in his game and better judgment on his shotmaking. "I am thinking about which shot to play rather than just hitting the ball as hard as possible every time," he said.

A potential quarter-final against Sampras is Courier's main obstacle on the road to the final, though dangerous players like Paul Haarhuis. Jakob Hlasek and Thomas Muster lie in wait in the first

Ivanisevic has been show ing signs of returning to his best carefree form, though he is suffering badly from blisters. Sampras has a niggling shoulder injury which is being treated every day, but if he can forget his injury and reproduce his form from the second half of last year, he too has a chance of proving himself in the best company along with Wimbledon semifinalist and Grand Slam Cup champion, David Wheston.

Attention in the women's singles will focus on Jennifer Capriati, making her first trip to Melbourne, and Steffi Graf, both of whom have acquired new coaches.

in the final of the £325,000

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night to end 27 months of

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turned to his father for guid-



Copy-book style: Sabatini perfectly poised for a return during her win over Sanchez Vicario in Sydney

Canriati has taken on Pavel Slozil, who took Graf to No. I and to ten grand slam titles, and Graf has hired Heinz Gunthardt in an effort to combat the domination of Monica Seles. Gunthardt's initial analysis of Graf's game makes interesting reading. not least perhaps for Graf

"The problem is that if she doesn't play well, she has nothing to fall back on," said the former Swiss Davis Cup player. "When she wins, it's

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Paternal influence is

from the baseline and with her forehand, but often she has to hit three forehands from the baseline to win the point and that is too dangerous. She has the mentality of an attacking player because needs to come to the net more positively. She never hits a shot with the intention of

coming to the net." Gundhardt is right. Whether he will be able to succeed in adding a new dimension to Graf's game

where Slozil failed is another matter. But Gabriela Sabatini, who won the NSW Open title in Sydney yesterday with an emphatic 6-1, 6-1 win over Arantxa Sánchez Vicario and denied the Sanchezes a family double after Emilio had beaten Guy Forget to win the men's title, managed to convert from baseliner to volley-

can do it too. Five British girls - Jo Durie, Monique Javer. Samantha Smith, Sara Go-

er, for a time at least. So Graf

mer and Clare Wood - were in the first-round draw, but Jeremy Bates, the lone British male representative, who had to qualify, gained a dubious reward for his efforts by being drawn against Edberg, his new doubles parmer, in the first round. Last year, he had to play Becker in the opening

RESULTS: New South Wales Open: Men: Singles: Final: E Sérchez (3p) in G. Forget (Fr), 6-3, 6-4. Women: Singles: Semi-finales: A Sénchez Vicario (3p) bit A Haber (Gen), 4-6, 7-5, 6-3; G Sabatini (Ang) bit M-J Fernandez (US), 6-2, 8-3. Pinal:

TABLE TENNIS

Gatien fights back for title

BY RICHARD EATON

the barriers.

invaluable to Davis BY PHIL YATES STEVE Davis was swift to He said: "My dad has been

> suffering agony aunt. I would have gone crazy if I hadn't had him to talk to." Davis, who also confirmed that a 10-9 win over Hendry in the final of the 555 Challenge in Belgium three weeks ago had given his confidence

a considerable fillip, received

a tumultuous reception from contest gave Davis his third Saturday's crowd of 1,507 victory in succession over a record for a ranking event. Hendry, his sixth classic title Among them was Barry Hearn, Davis's manager. He and, most rewarding of all, his first ranking-tournament success since the Rothmans grand prix of October 1989. During the intervening months Davis plummeted to the nadir of his unparalleled 14-year professional career. It was during the dark days of self-doubt and genuine concern that he was on an

said: "Davis not winning a ranking event for 27 months is like Liverpool going all sea-son without winning a match. Steve has been in recession for a couple of years but now he's back and I'm convinced he can go on to win a seventh world title."

AESULT: Finat: S Davis (Eng) ot S Hendry (Scot), 9.8. Frame scores (Davis Frst), 73-34, 39-97, 47-66, 672, 71-32, 84-0, 81-9, 110-22, 24-83, 59-26, 19-08, 19-96, 68-20, 98-1, 5-90, 43-73, 73-19

JEAN-Philippe Gatien, from Paris, an elegant left-hander, proved himself a front-runner express heart-felt apprecia-tion for his father, Bill, after the burden of frustration. In that respect he's been a long-for almost 40 years to win the

English Open. Gatien, the world No. 5, achieved that feat at Birmingham on Saturday with a comeback from two games down, 18-21, 19-21, 21-12, 21-13, 21-4, against Wang Yansheng, a fellow lefthander who has left Peking and competes in the German Bundesliga.

It was Wang's long pimpled rubber on the backhand that created mysteries early on for Gatien. When Gatien puzzled them out, he knew he could win. "But I was nervous because after that I had to start each game well," Gatien said. He started the fifth by reaching 5-0 with six of the most savage smashes, and ended it with a rally that had the ball flying boomerang-like back and forth lowards a

leant, exhibition-style, over The women's winner, Mirjam Hooman, was similarly unexpected. She won in four games against the lively

Otilia Badescu, of Romania, to become the first Dutch winner for 30 years. An English pair might



Gatien: puzzled

squealing crowd as Wang bles but for a sporting gesture Holt, who agreed to play the Russians, Elena Timina and Irina Palina, had gone sightseeing. They returned claiming they had not been told of the schedule, and went on to win comfortably. Lomas and Holt preferred to help promote the event on television rather than make the protest that might have obliged the referee to make a scratching.

Later yesterday, wins for Lomas against the world No. 15, Mika Hoshino, and for Holt against Wang Xiaoming, the world No. 14, helped England's women to the semi-finals with successes against the top-seeded France and Japan. The men lost 3-2 in the second round to Germany, even though Alan Cooke saved a match-point to beat Jorg Rosskopf, the world

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Waterloo Boy moves into pole position

WATERLOO Boy, twice runner-up in the Queen Mother Champion Chase, appears certain to start favourite for this year's race after his magnificent win in the Victor Chandler Chase at Ascot on Saturday.

Christopher Mordaunt, the senior National Hunt handicapper, now rates Waterloo Boy at 165, 11b in front of Katabatic. "I've left Katabatic on the same mark as when he won last year's championship." Mordaunt said yesterday. The two un-known quantities in the race could be Remittance Man and Uncle Ernie."

In successfully conceding 8lb to Young Snugfit, his old rival, Waterloo Boy vindicated David Nicholson's contention that the nine-year-old is a better and gamer horse since being hobdayed.

"It's all due to Richard Dunwoody who insisted that . stopping him," said the train-er. "We'll now go for the Game Spirit at Newbury." Durwoody and Jamie Os-

borne excelled themselves on

the principals from the moment when Young Snugfit appeared to have the upper hand as they rose together at the second fence from home. "I was certain we were beat," said Dunwoody. "The first time I thought we'd win

was two or three strides be-fore the last."

Michael Deeley, Waterloo Boy's owner, is certainly fortunate as the only other horse to carry his colours is this season's Mackeson Gold Cup winner, Another Coral. Dunwoody had earlier giv- 2

en a polished and thoughtful exhibition of jockeyship when for himself and Nicholson on For The Grain in the Grosvenor Insurance Chase.

'If anything, I thought I'd 🧐 hit the front too scon," said the jockey, after the 7-2 favourite had given 97-year-old Jim Joel his 90th winner at Ascot and his 1.145th in all. For The Grain's victory

also saw the passing of a landmark for Nicholson, who has now saddled 800 winners since he first took out a licence in 1968. The 51-yearold trainer is currently on course for his best season as he stands in second place to Martin Pipe in the prizemoney table.

In September, Nicholson plans to move to Ford, two miles from his present headnew establishment is owned in partnership by the trainer and Colin Smith, who had a half-share in Charter Party, the stable's 1988 Gold Cup

Osborne shared the day's riding honours with Dun-woody by landing a 164-1 in treble on Rosgill, Mossy Fern in

Raiding party foiled by Irish outsiders

FROM DICK HINDER, RACING EDITOR, IN DUBLIN

HIGH expectation turned to bitter disappointment at Leopardstown on Saturday as the seven-strong British raiding party was overwhelmed by two lightly-weighted Irish hurdlers in The Ladbroke.

The heroes of the hour were John Brassil, the Co Clare trainer, and Jason Titley, his 20-year-old rider, who enjoyed their biggest success on doggedly to capture Europe's richest handicap hurdle by three-and-a-half

lengths from Cock Cockburn. Mark Dwyer, who was swiftly dispatched to Dublin to partner Native Mission after Uncle Ernie had been pulled out at Ascot, salvaged a battling third place, but

Jirumy Fitzgerald's five-yearo. was later demoted to fourth after the stewards deemed he had interfered with Lumaca. Adrian Maguire, due to

face the Jockey Club tomorrow over his claim mix-up, completed a frustrating week when Jungle Knife, still in contention for a place, although tiring, failed to rise at the last flight. Maguire had also taken a heavy fall from Chiasso Forte in the preceding handicap chase.

Bank View, having only his second race after a long layoff, stayed on to be a commendable seventh but Baiasani, the 11-2 favourite, was never going well and trailed -in 17th of the 19 finishers:

with Riverhead last of all. Forest Sun, after holding a prominent place in the early stages, was comprehensively. T STATE LODY immediately ruled out the G Champion Hurdle. "He just cannot quicken so we will up 2 the distance and aim for the Stayers Hurdle at Cheltenham," Balding said.

The Whitcombe trainer reported Morley Street in good heart and the champion hurdler will run next in the Bishops Cleeve Hurdle at Cheltenham on Saturday week, at followed by the Berkshire Hurdle at Newbury on Feb. ruary 29.

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Well Wrapped to repeat trophy victory for Knight

TWELVE months ago Henri-ena Knight provided the answer to the puzzle posed by the Peter Duncarison Memorial Challenge Trophy at. Fontwell when Golden Celtic won the two-and-a-half mile though Snitton Lane is taken chase for novices.

While admitting that Well Wrapped, her runner for the same race this afternoon, does not boast such good credentials, I still think he has a good chance of taking the prize back to Lockinge again.

After spending most of last season in the wings, Well Wrapped made an encouraging start to the current term when third to Springaleal and Space Fair at Wolverhampton.

That looked promising form at the time but looks even better now because first. second and fourth (Creeager) have all won since.

Well Wrapped's only subsequent race ended in disaster because he stumbled on landing over the last fence at Newbury and unshipped his: rider. However, but for that error, he would have finished creditable third behind Shamana and Cyphrate, who had each won their previous

The three previous chase winners in the field -Greenhills Pride: Nicknavar: and Webbs Wonder - all-have to concede 4lb to Well-Wrapped and a repetition of the Wolverhampton run should prove good enough:



which says that Dancing Paddy should beat lan MICHAEL PHILLIPS Balding's runner Fight To Win. Both have beaten For the day's best bet, Ballystate recently, Dancing Paddy by the greater to win the Hoechst Panacur distance.

Novices' Hurdle Qualifier. At Carlisle, a victory for John Edwards's mare Radical Lady in the Hayton Handieap Chase will draw carned due reward for her consistency when winning further attention to the fine well at Leicester towards the chance that Ardbrin has of end of last year and looks the winning the Lanercost type to follow in races of this Handicap Chase later in the programme. When Ardbrin Having landed a 67-1 douwon the Supermaster Handible at Lingfield on Saturday with El Dominio and Modescap Chase at Wetherby on

to, Stockbridge trainer Ken was far from disgraced in Cumningham-Brown will be looking to Dancing Paddy to keep up the stable's good work by winning the Middle-Being by Deep Run out of a mare by Saint Denys, Another Dyer has a chaser's pedigree to match his phy-Significantly, there is now a sique. So I am looking to him line in the form book involvto win the EBF Hadrian's Wall Novices' Chase following promising efforts here

Boxing Day, Radical Lady

and at Ayr.

Having won on the allweather track at Southwell last Monday, Pandessa, from Mary Reveley's successful stable, now looks capable r making a profitable quick turn by landing the Emerald

Handicap Hurdle. It remains to be seen. though, whether her stable companion Casherooski can cope with Sunset Rock in the Amethyst National Hunt Flat Race. Their recent race at Market Rasen would suggest



ton Novices' Hurdle.

Knight: has strong candidate for Fontwell feature

Red Rum continues to progress

RED Rum is making such a ... to be "a lot better" yesterday. good recovery that vets believe he could soon be back

The triple Grand National winner, who was seriously ill a week ago with colic and a blocked artery, was reported

Donald McCain, son of the horse's trainer, Ginger, said: He's better now than at any point during his illness. The vet says that he could be back to normal in another two or three days."

Tony Murray is to be held in London next month. Details of the service have yet to be finalised but it will take place after the inquest on February 7. The funeral is at Salisbury crematorium on Thursday.

1.10 King Of Shadows, 1.40 Montyliosity, 2.10 Green's Seago, 2.40 Green Simplicity, 3.10 Pandess, 3.40 Sunse Rock THUMBERER: No see the first to be 1.10 King Of Shadows, 4.40 Prominent Princess, 2.10 Abrington Fiyer, 2.40 Bits, Disc. 3.10 Peak Discret, 3.40 Sonset Rock GOING: STANDARD.

1.10 RUBY HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,244: 2m 4f) (4 runners)

1 3003 MUBAAFUS 6 (B,CD,F,Q,S) & Richmond = 11-14 S Woods 2 1001 KRNG OF SHADOWS 7 (CD) R Hollinsheed 5-13-12 Cont. 6 Lyons 1 3003 MUBAARIS 6 (B,CD,F,G,S) & Richmond 9-11-12 3 SP-4 TRISTANES COMETY (C.RF) Libertis 5106 J / 4 R10/ SHIPLEY ANN 516 (C) R Weiner 9 100 D Ste 54 King Of Shedows, 94 Tristen's Cornet, 52 Multeerie, 10-1 Shiriny

1.40 DIAMOND SELLING HANDICAP HUR-DLE (21.458; 2m 4f) (13)

8 0-04 PROMINENT PRINCESS 14 (8.3) D 0 had 12-10-0
9 0-00 SAFARI KEEPER 70 (8) 54 Wildenson 5-10-0 M Lynch
10 900 MULTINANDS 12 (8) J Wester 7-10-0 B Delton (7)
11 05-5 CARBON LADY 6 (D.F. J. Henris 7-10-0 JA Harris
12 8404 STATION EXPRESS 7 R (Hollanhead 4-10-0
13 PSP0 SIBYL O'DONNISTL 5 K Bridgisaler 5-10-0
Judy Devices (7)

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRAINERS: A Hide, 4 winners from 8 numers, 50.0%; M Pipe, 20 from 45, 44.4%; Mis G Reveley, 3 from 8, 37.5%; R Hollinshead, 19 from 86; 28.5%; R Wessen, 9 from 38, 23.1%; O O'Nell, 3 from 15, 20.0%. JOCKEYS: M Foster, 3 witners from 8 states, 33.5%; G Lyons, 17 from 53, 27.0%; S Woods, 7 from 32, 21.9%; A Jackes, 9 from 42, 21.4%; J Ryen, 3 from 15, 20.0%; S Wynne, 6 from 35, 17.1%.

2.10 GARNET HOVICES HURDLE

(£1,292; 2m 2f) (7) 11-10 Abhandon Flyer, 8-4 Greene Seego, 8-1 Bland Ol Hope.

2.40 OPAL CLAHNING HURDLE

21,351; 2m) (11)
1 /113 BLUE DISC 5 IC.D.F. C Server 7-11-13. B Delton (7)
2 P EIRO GALLXY 9 R Washing 5-11-11 B T Junton (7)
3 F-00 BILLOE 18 (D.G) W Junton 7-11-8... Bit T Junton (7)
4 PDOS REGIST CLUB 16 J Smith 8-11-7. D Bentley (7)
5 TRISTICHEM 32F (B) W Clay 5-11-7. J District (7)
6 PG FRALL ACE 88 Mint 5 Wilson 5-11-5 3 Danies (8)
7 U-9P GRIEAT SEMPLICITY 7 (B.U.S) R Alestant 5-11-5

3.10 EMERALD HANDICAP HURDLE

1,351: 2m) (8)
1 1811 FANDESSA 7 (CD-P) him G Reveloy 5-12-0 (Sec)
R Hoods (S)
S Woods 5 00P0 BLAKES SECRET 7 A Forbes 6-11-7 6 1944 LA RAPTOTTE 14 (D.F.G) M Charles 5-11-3 7 6/56 GRONDOLA 11 (D.F) D Burchell 5-114 DJ Burchell B 5/60 JOYFULNESS 52 (CD.F) P Seem 7-10-13 T Well 5-2 Sciery Filts, 4-1 Peak District, 9-2 High Finance, 6-1 Paradeses 5-1 Le Paradotte, 10-1 Grandots, 20-1 others.

3.40 AMETHYST HATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£1,292: 2m) (5)

1 2 SURSET ROCK 9-limity Fitzgerald 5-11-10 W Dream (7) 2 3 CALLAS SLECTRIC 36 D Nicholaun 5-11-10
W Death (7)
3 8 CASHERICOSKI 9 Mrs. G Revetey 4-10-12 R Hodge (8)
4 0 MASTER'S CROWN 9 M Chapter 4-10-12 S D Williams (7)
5 SONCHA II Hell-Armed 1-10 7 S Wytme (7)
6-5 Cathas Slectric, 2-1 Sunnet Rock, 3-1 Carchaeouski, 16-1 Sorche, 25-1 Mineter's Crown.

1-18 T (55)

12.50 (2m 47 hdb) 1, Cuddy Dale (B. Sheridan, 12-1); 2, Yeoman Cricheler (17-1); 3, Rampold (6-1). Mall House 100-80 lin. 12 mm. Na. B. F. Marphy. Tota: 29.90; 23.10, 52.80, 52.50. DF: \$49.50. CSF; \$726.17.

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2.15 (3m ch) 1, Mossy Fern (1 Osborne, 2-1 fav); 2, Strong Approach (12-1); 3, Map On The Line (7-2), 8 ran. 15. 1/sl. (2 Sherwood, Tete: 22.60; \$1.80, £2.20. DF £12.00, CSF; £20.69. 8.40 (2m hdis) 1, Roden Star (J Osborns, 13-8 (sv); 2, Cheerful Times (10-1); 3, Essy Buck (0-1), 5 sen, NF: Ls Clemege, Berge Boy: Nr. 95; N Tinder, Tota: 22.40; 21.60, 23.10, DF: \$11.00, CSF: 214.63, Tricast 253.36, 25.38. laskpoi: 214,421, 10. (Pool of £3,897.61 larried forward to Kampton on Friday)

Placepot: £52,00. Newcastle 12.45 1, Troodes (11-1); 2, Hamblower (10-1); 3, Caraller Crossett (10-1). Friskney Dale Lad 5-2 fev. 10 fan. 1:15 1, Stay On Trucks (1-2 fav); 2, Sass-ten (5-2; 3, Jack Of Clubs (6-1), 3 ran. 1.45 1, Mazznovr (2-7 fav); 2, Saon (11-3); 3, Silver Haze (11-1), 9 ran. 2.15 1, Gaile Again (7-2); 2, Leigh Boy (16-1); 3, On The Hoods (16-1); Carolachie 4-5 hav, 6 ran offt Larrancian Lad. 2.46 1, Old Applejack (15-2); 2, Macarthur (Evens fav); 3, Captain Mor (6-1), 5 cm. ram. S.15 1, Gospel Rock (100-30); 2, Just Prantice (7-4 tav); 3, Postave Action (8-1). 6 ram. 3.45 1, Bonsnan (10-11); 2, SM: Degma (5-6 tev). 2 cm. Lingfield Park 1.20 (1m 2f) 1, Noble Singer (11-10 fav); 2, Alternation (11-2); 3, Lizzle Drippie (13-1.50 (1m) 1, Dorset Duks (13-2); 2, Fingland (3-1 tev); 3, Super Sally (8-2), 10

2.20 (5f) 1, Creche (138 tar); 2. Appealing Times (4-1); 3, Myllindollisusic (8-1), 8 ran, 2.50 (1m St) 1, 13 Deminic (7-1); 2, Fala, (11-10 tay); 3, Javani (9-1), 7 ran, 9,20 (1m 2) 1, Modesto (15-2 tay); 2, Samurai Gold (10-1); 3, Charall Martin (8-3.50 (81) 1, Sally's Son (5-1); 2; Furiella (8-1); 3, Say You Will (12-1), in A Whiel 4-1 fav. 14 ran. The meetings at Warelck and Mar-int Resen years abandoned due to front

JOCKEYS

Information (weaper) - Bott foreigner

Fitzgerald at odds with Ascot over fine

JIMMY Fitzgerald yesterday defended his decision to withdraw Uncle Ernic from Saturday's Victor Chandler Chase because of the ground and expressed his disagreement with Ascot's decision to

fine him £450. The fine inflicted was the statutory one per cent of the added money for the race and therefore similar to the penal-

MANDARIN ...

2.50 SNITTON LANE

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT

1.20 HOUGHTON HANDICAP CHASE

(Amateurs: £2,160: 3m 2f 110yd) (18 runners)

(nap). 3.20 Our Nobby. 3.50 Dancing Paddy.

1.20 Jimster.

1.50 Norstock

ties imposed on Martin Pipe and David Barons for withdrawing Primitive Singer and Seagram respectively on

"The ground had not changed from the official good to firm," Christopher Lee, the steward's secretary, said. "As far as we were aware neither Mr Fürzgerald nor his representative were at Ascot, so we imposed the fixed

THUNDERER

1.20 Jimster. 1.50 Norstock.

3,20 Playpen.

2.50 Spitton Lane

3.50 Dancing Paddy.

BETTING: 11-4 Jimster, 4-1 Mining Mee, 5-1 Celtic Hamlet, 6-1 Granny Pmy Cm, 7-1 Noble Vision, 8-1 Border Archer, 10-1 Spillshedfignence, Kingswood Kilchere, 12-1 Sam Shorrock, 14-1 others. 1991: DON'T BE LATE 9-11-0 Mr F Moneier (9-4 (av) M Pipe 12 ran

FORM FOCUS

MISSING MAN bast Folk Dence (gave Sib) fel at Favy-time (ang. E-17) at Nowton Favy-time (ang. E-17) at Window (ang. LEA-GAUNE 37 dgn to Genebing Royal (see tib) at Towcaster (3m 190yd, soft). All MSTER bast Buck-horn (gave 680) 251 with AETHERISDIGE (see 18) at 180 at

1.50 SHOPWYKE SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (P1,387: 2m 2f) (7 runners)

Long bandicap: Prince Valleer 9-13, Whippers Delight 9-10, J Brand 9-6, Glen Firmen 9-0. BETTING: 11-4 Norstock, 7-2 Glebelands Girt, 4-1 Whippers Delight, Prince Vellyer, 7-1 others. 1801: GOLDEN VINTAGE 5-10-5 A Dicken (5-1) S Daw 15 ren

2.20 PETER DUNCANSON MEMORIAL CHALLENGE TROPHY

Novices chase: £3,080: 2m 4f) (16 runners)

GREENHELS PRIDE over 401 4th to Mapte Denoer (levels) at Plumoton (Zin., good). HICKNAVAR best Among Friends (gove 15th) 101 at Folksstone (Zm 4f., good). WEERS WONDER best Webcrass Tidings (see Std) 21 http: (Zm 2f., good). ARCTIC GROWLER over 50, 6th to Furry Knass (pessed) at David (Zm 2f. good to firm). PRY 3-JOY in lead when falling fact in

MANDARIN

12.30 Urou V. 1.00 Another Dyer.

1.30 Noddle. 2.00 Radical Lady.

3.00 Ardbrin.

GOING: SOFT

TRAINERS

M H Easterby D Nations

(Div I: £1,235; 2m 4f) (12 runners)

FORM FOCUS

STAR OF THE GLEN 18th of 17 to Tylum Lad (rec Sb) at Huntingdon (2m 100yd, good to soft), agrier best Asticol (rec 17th) at Newton Abbot (2m 100yd), NORSTOCK bus D. ESE AND GRIL (not but in hid here (2m 2), good). WHEFFERS DELIGHT 5th besten 23t by Tewith (gave 5b) at Plumpton (2m,

BETTING: 7-4 Webbs Wonder, 7-2 Well Wrepped, 5-1 Gods Fox, Nickment, 7-1 Greenhills Pride, 10-1 others

FORM FOCUS

THUNDERER

3.00 Ardbrin.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 1.30 NODDLE.

12.30 MILTON NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HURDLE

3.30 Northants.

12.30 RIVER PEARL

1.30 Whispering Steel 2.00 Bonnie Artist. 2.30 Lion Of Vienna.

20-12 LISRON V 25 (F) (Guy Feber & Peler Ambler) M Hansmond 6-11-5 P Niven 6
0-08 BRIGADIER DAVIS 16 (S Lycert Green) T Tate 5-10-12 G Bradley
0 CROWN SOLO 37 (Mrs S Bercley) D Mollett 7-10-12 D J Mollett (7)
90 MISTER HOCKBERG 14 (Halewood Vinters Lid) D McCain 6-10-12 Mr D McCain Jr (7)
9 ROYAL STREAM 14 (Mrs D Johnstone) C Parier 5-10-12 Mr D McCain Jr (7)
8 Storey
2/5-6 THISTILE MONARCH 11 (J Gordon) G Richards 7-10-12 G McCaurt
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40/4 RIVER PEARL 11 (Mrs A Mistrin) G Richards 7-10-7 N Douglity
800/00 SUNY ZETA 46 (Miss R Goldie) R Goldie 6-10-7 R Markey

BETTING: 64 Uron V, 5-2 Thinde Monarch, 8-1 River Pearl, 10-1 Brigadier Davis, 16-1 Crown Solo, Who Sir,

THIT: MEETING ASANDONED - PROFT

1.00 EBF HADRIAN'S WALL MOVICES CHASE (52,151: 2m 4f) (18 runners)

COURSE SPECIALISTS

33.3 27.3 25.9 23.6 20.1 15.1

JOCKEYS -

(nap). 1.00 Another Dver.

RICHARD EVANS

1.00 Sexted Cine

land on Saturday to watch Native Mission run in The Ladbroke, said: "Aithough I wasn't able to go to Ascot, I rang two jockeys on Friday evening, including Peter

Scudamore, who had ridden

RICHARD EVANS

3.20 Our Nobby.

there that afternoon. They both said it was definitely firm, as did my box driver. "With two front-runners in the race, I didn't want Unde

Ernie chasing them at the

conditions. It looked like a recipe for disaster. But I had

been prepared to risk him on the forecast good to firm going." Discussing the general position on Saturday, before Fitzgerald had been fined, Nicholas Beaumont, the clerk of

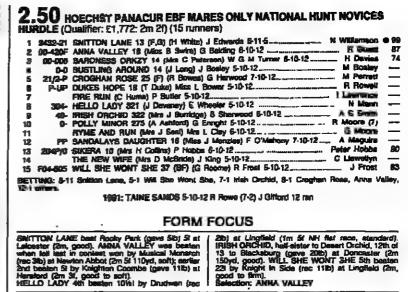
the course, said: "My only complaint is against trainers

who don't state that they will

only run in the event of rain.

would know where they stand."

Fitzgerald now intends to run Uncle Ernie in the £6,000 North West Racing Club Handicap Chase at Haydock Park on Saturday. "There aren't too many opportunities for good-class two-milers between now and Cheltenham," said the trainer. "So we will see how we get on there before making any further plans."



3,20 SELSEY HANDICAP CHASE (£2,012; 2m 2f 110yd) (9 runners)

1991: BRONZE FINAL 5-11-16 R Rowe (5-4 fev) J Gifford 6 ren

FORM FOCUS

OUR NOBSY needed the run when making an en-couraging return to finish 3rd beaten 14t by Skruh Jay (gave 13b) with TOM CAXTON (rec 7b) 4th beaten 24 at Newton Abbot (2m 5t, soil). TOM CAXTON lest of 3 to Skrih Jay (gave 25b) beaten over 30 at Ascot (2m, good to firm). SiLVER CANNON 3rd beaten 25 by Basina (gave 8b) at Lingfield (2m 4t, good). PLAYPEN 2rd besten shird

by Clever Shepherd (rec Sib) at Wolverhampton (3m 11, good to firm). OFFICER GROWLER 3rd besten over 21 by lems 2ulu (rec 12b) at Window (2m 51, od c firm). The? (11 FORGOT ME 3rd besten over 21 by Webbs Wonder (rec 11b) here (2m 21 110/d, good). GENETAL MERCHANT 2nd besten 11/1 by Cader Run (rec Sib) at Newton Abbot (2m). Bestellen: OUT NOBBY

3.50 MIDDLETON NOVICES HURDLE (4-Y-O: £1,165: 2m 2f) (17 runners) EETTING: 6-4 Fight To Win, 7-4 Absent Relative, 5-1 Val D'Authie, 6-1 Denoing Paddy, 5-1 Green

1991: CHURCHILL EXPRESS 4-10-10 L Harvey (13-2) R Akehuret 15 ran

FORM FOCUS

DANCING PADDY best Biskeneys Gift ((see 120) 5s at Newton Abbol (2m 150)xd, sott). Pi30/T TO WIN beat Bellystate (gave 2tb) 319 with VAL D'AUTHIE (sevals) 3rd besten 4/41 and SIMMER-ING BCARLET (rec 51b) 8th besten 19/41 at Devon (2m 11, good to firm). ABSENT RELATIVE best Always Ready (gave

17th) 6 of Lingheid (Dn. goad). MUNDAY DEAN 4th besten 35 by Matin (levels) at Sandown (2m. good to firm). SOLID STEEL 4th beatten 17 by All Present formals) with GREENWICH BANES (no: 5b) 5th besten over 17 and TAMFIRION BAY (levels) 5th beaten 27 all Folkestone (2m 100yd, good to soft). Belection: DANGING PADDY

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	3.30 BRAMPTON HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,582: 2m 1f 110yd) (6 runners)
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Leicester are outclassed by a purposeful and powerful display from the revitalised league champions

Bath return to title form

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Leicester... By David Hands

MAYBE when this season is over. Bath will regard the match at the Recreation Ground on Saturday as a turning point — the day which revived their Courage Clubs Championship hopes. Playing by far their best rugby of the season, they put into the harshest perspective the dub that began the day as first division leaders.

RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

Leicester were saved from humiliation only by the spirit that forced them to try to carry the game to Bath. But it was a hopeless task: every way they turned they were outmanocurred and out-thought, even after the 1991 champions lost Robinson, their captain. Three goals, four tries and a penalty goal against two penalties tells the story. Jack Rowell, the Bath

coach, said: "This was a highpressure game against the top-of-the-table team but we played the kind of open rugby that we always try to do given the conditions. We believe we can use our backs to win games and today was a fine all-round performance.

The events of the weekend restored Orrell to the top of the league, a position more appropriate to their present playing strength than to find themselves so highly placed given the youth of many of their players.

It is as well they now have a month off from league business so they can recover spirits sorely battered by Bath's virtuosity, which was witnessed by Dick Best, the England coach.

Robinson's damaged rib cartilage was the only shadow on Bath's day but they expect he will be fit for the cup match at Northampton on January 25. Ubogu moved from front to back row and Barnes, who took over as captain, said it was the first time this season that the Bath forwards and backs had played so well in

concert. Their penultimate try was the best illustration of that, when forward after forward drove from a scrum on halfway to within a few metres of ball was whipped back.

Guscott sensed the try, with the defence in tatters, but force him to shovel the ball

London Scottish

West Hartlepool

BY BARRY TROWBRIDGE

TWO scores in the first ten

minutes and resolute defence

thereafter gained London

Scottish both points at a

packed Athletic Ground on

Saturday, maintained their

100 per cent league record

and, according to Dave Stubbs, the West Hartlepool

coaching organiser, secured

"certain promotion" to the

first division of the Courage

Clubs Championship. If there

pool will number among their

Having outplayed the exiles

for much of the game before

going down by a try and a

penalty goal to two penalty

goals, they should be confi-

dent enough to see the cam-

paign through. Indeed, they

will probably play worse than

is any justice. West Hartle-

opponents next season.



Fast break: Guscott carves a path through the Leicester cover at the Recreation Ground on Saturday

on. Lewis, with Haag's assistance, made the line.

Everything they did was performed at pace and Barnes had the confidence to make his attacking ploys so close to his opponents that, once the breach was made.

there was no hope of recovery. The blind-side wing was invariably employed in a mid-Swift and two for Fallon in a game in which Fred Howard

Exiles' defence holds firm

West's pressure should

have been decisive. Nick Gre-

cian kicked a penalty goal

after five minutes and Derek

White, from a five-metre

scrum, crashed over wide on

the right soon after to open

the way for Scottish, but West

railied and for the rest of the

half forced the pace. On any

other day they would have

been in front at the break, but

John Stabler, their captain

and stand-off, landed only

in comparison, Leicester lacking Back, their industrious open-side flanker - were sluggish. Poor Ainscough, in his first senior game for two months, found himself under intense pressure from Hill and Clarke and was desper-

ately disappointed with his form, particularly his kicking. The forwards tried to maul Richards to direct them, they found the road strewn with thoms. They could work up no impetus and, even when they put Guscott under pres-

two of six kickable penalties.

Oliphant missed a seventh,

and Hodder found only an

upright with a well-conceived

dropped goal attempt. Never-

theless. Stabler's second suc-

cess came right on half-time

To their credit, Scottish re-

sponded, and it took 20 min-

utes of the second half before

West got into their 22. But with their backs looking good

on the ball and eager for it,

West still looked the better

bet. With 12 minutes left they

even stole a scrummage five metres from the Scottish line

and won a penalty for pulling

form continued and the

CHARTCE TEAM BOTTE.

Percatly goals: Grecoen, When Harrispool:
Percatly goals: Stabler (2).
LONDON SCOTTISH: M Appleson; N Grecian, F Harrid, J Beasley, L Rerwick; R Charto, T Withern Green. D Scorotie, S McDorald, P Biarrid, N Province, D Moorten, R Scort, I Doson, D White:
WEST HARTLEPOOL: K Oliphant: A Mitchell, C Lee, P Hodder, D Cooke, Stabler, J Wingley; P Lancasser, S Mitchell, P Writelock, P Evers, J Doson, J Howe, A Brown, P Faltamen

chance had gone.

and their tails were up.

sure early in the second half, Bath competently cleared

Bath may have been capa ble of coming back from 18-0 down the previous week against Harlequins but Leicester, with nothing like the reservoir of experience to call on, never threatened a recovery from their 17-3 half-

Lifey kicked his only penalty chances, and Poole and Richards waged a tolerably effective lineout battle, but everything foundered on a

BY MICHAEL STEVENSON

A SPIRITED performance

by the Bristol pack could not mask tactical ineptitude out-

side it and Orrell, winners at

Edge Hall Road on Saturday

by a goal, two tries, two penal-

ties and a dropped goal to a

goal and a dropped goal,

cruised back comfortably

enough to the head of the

Courage Clubs Champion-

It was a not a classic en-

counter, with both pairs of

halves endlessly hoisting high

balls for their packs to run on

to. Orreil, however, did it

appreciably better than Bris-

tol, were more flexible, and

contributed the vast majority

Morris, apparently inde-

structible, demonstrated a

formidable work-rate and cel-

ebrated his recall to the Eng-

of the game's best moves.

ship first division table.

Orrell

Bristol

midfield, where nothing essed Barnes and Lewis. Not much more may get

past Bath this league season.

Clarks, LECSSTER: JLBoy, S Hackway, I Bales, A Key, R Underwood, G Afrecough, A Kardoont, S Rection, C Trousler, D Garforth, S Povose, A Gissing, M Poote, J Wins, D Reviews.
Referee: F Howard (Liverpool).

Orrell sap Bristol's spirit

land side with a bustling,

dynamic performance which

complemented the efforts of

his excellent back row, spear-

ing full back, was also most

impressive on a day when

fluent handling was at a pre-

mium. Only in the goal-

kicking department were Or-

rell struggling, with Strett,

who hit the posts four times,

successful with only three out

An early incursion by Tab-

erner almost made a try for

Heslop, but Orrell led when

Johnston failed to touch

down Langford's precise di-

agonal chip, and Halsall

Strett's two penalties were

kicked either side of the inter-

val and, when Hesiop's mam-

moth touch kick took play into the Bristol 22, Fielden

burst through, the ruck was

won, and Morris was over to

stretch Orrell's lead to 14-0.

scampered up for the try.

of ten kicks.

Taberner. Orrell's attack-

headed by Gallagher.

Bayfield able to rise to the occasion

Northampton Harlequins . BY BRYAN STILES

cutting opponents down to size at Murrayfield. Even at oft 10in, Martin Bayfield, the Northampton lock, is un-likely to find the air space above the lineout as uncongested there next Saturday as he did against Harlequins.

Bayfield completely domi-nated Saturday's game, and if the Saints had made better use of the possession he gained they could have rat-iled up almost double the points. As it was, victory by two goals, a try, two dropped goals and a penalty to two tries, a dropped goal and a penalty carried them to third place in the Courage Clubs Championship first division.

The soaring Bayfield looked down on a Quins team shorn of key players keen not to aggravate injuries before the Calcutta Cup match on Saturday. Unlike Edwards, the Quins lock who is due to make his debut for Scotland. Rodber spurned the traditional test before making his debut for England, so determined was he

to further the Saints' cause. Steele opened the scoring with a dropped goal but failed with a penalty attempt and a conversion after a fine try by Thorneycroft. Hunter then scored a glorious try after taking advantage of some inept Quins tackling. Steele converted, then he and Thresher collected a penalty Thresher collected a penalty apiece before Challinor dropped a goal to leave Saints with a 16-6 interval

Harlequins' pack set up Wedderburn for an excellent try, but Hunter struck back with a penalty goal and Bayfield crowned his day with a try which Steele converted. Shortland ended the scoring with an uncoverted

Peartia, T Rodber, J Etherioge, et Mayrano, M Crd, W Shellord.

HARLEGUINS: 8 Thresher, M Wedder bush, J Alexander, G Thorspeon, & Mehreuse, P Challers, R Glennium; & Hobber, B Moore, A Multina, M Skriner, & Reseal, S Shortland, A Fox, R Langham, Relevac: E Morrison (Sloucester).

fore Bristol's try cut the lead

to seven points. Painter tossed

up yet another garryowen and Orrell were slow to cover as Hull received the ball 30

metres out, jinked twice, cut

inside and accelerated to the

line for a superb try which he

Orrell's grip did not slack-en. Halsall made ground down the left and, when he

was checked, the Orrell pack

worked a rolling maul to the

Bristol line, where the visitors

conceded three successive

scrums. From the third.

Manley picked up from No. 8 and his try under the posts

SCORIERS: Orreit: Trigs: Haiseil, Morris, Marrisy. Conventors: Strett. Penelty goals: Strett. 20. Dropped goal: Strett. Bristot. Try. Hull. Convention: Hull. Orropped goal: Phinter. ORPHELL: STaborner, In Hestop, M Fastder, S Langlord, P Haiseil; M Strett, D Morrer, M Hymas, N Hitchen, D Southern, S Gallagher, R Kleinvert, C Cuern, N Advance (rep: D Cleary), P Marriey.
SPBSTOL: P Hull; Johnston, R Knibba, D Ring, H Duggar: S Pairtier, J Davier D Hitch. O Pelmer, D Heidne, P College, P Stiff, A Blandmare, C Barrow, O Eves.

was converted by Strett.

Pontypool revive • memories of former glories

Pontypool.

By GERALD DAVIES

THE chant of "Poo-la, Poola" emerging from the small stand and spreading to the beautiful slope opposite may not yet be as loud, insistent or confident as it was in good old Prosser's coaching days. but there is every reason to believe it will soon become as familiar a melody to the ears of John Perkins, the present

Pontypool Park was a fearsome place to play rugby and the tribal rhythm of the chant was something a visiting team had to come to terms tormenting rhythm of the pack of forwards they had to

The crowd that is beginning to now wend its way back again, to pack the high bank that has been sparse of late, has first to get used to their regular winning ways again. They are on course. They are beginning to feel good once more.

This substantial defeat, by four goals and a penalty to a try, of the present leading lights of the Welsh game, Swansea, serves notice that whoever fancies his chances of winning the Heineken awesome task of coming to Pontypool and winning. If they cominue in Saturday's fashion, this might already appear improbable.

Pontypool's virtues, as al-ways, are at forward. They know how to win possession and they keep it. They make few mistakes themselves and punish anyone eise's. And relentlessly on. There is no breathing space for the weak. The essential difference can be seen at the lineout. Goodey and Neil Jones consistently

won two-handed catches and served their scrum half well. Scrum half, in num, never let his pack down and ensured they always went forward. They will run in midfield but have not yet the capacity to do much there. They play to their known strengths.
On the other hand

Morianty's slap-backs, which Jones's hands, gave the Swansea scrum half his most uncomfortable afternoon of the season. Huish, Spiller and Oswald, thankful for such generosity, terrorised him, and the Wales scrum half finally went off with a bruised thigh.
After 20 minutes, the

one way. By half-time, Ponty-pool were 15 points up through tries by Pawson and Goodey and conversions from Martin Jones, who also kicked a penalty.

Swansea, trying to escape this grip by running in their own half, succeeded only in tightening it. They dropped a pass in midfield and Lintern picked up and ran 40 metres for the score.

Ian Davies deserved the reward of a try for the visitors but Pontypool had the last word when Parry scored his try in injury time.

Gloucester saved by Smith's kick

Saracens...

By PETER BILLS

SARACENS, a club of modest aspirations, an even more. modest home but the most competitive of welcomes, are renowned for their ability to take prized scalps. Bath and Orrell are just two of the more powerful dubs to have discovered in past years that trips to Southgate for a Courage Clubs Championship first division fixture can be fraught

with peril. Gloucester, the only club with a 100 per cent record in the first division on Saturday morning, were playing a league match for the first time on the ground. By Saturday evening, they would have un-derstood just how Saracens have forged their reputation as a side so adept at playing above itself on the big

Only an injury-time penalty goal by the full back, Tim Smith — his fourth successful kick from five attempts saved Gloucester from defeat. Saracens, scoring a goal and two penalty goals against four penalty goals, could justifi-able feel denied.

Keith Richardson, the Gloucester coach, left at the end with no idea why the lastminute penalty had been awarded to his men. Harrison, the referee explained that Crawley, the Saracens

scrum and then rejoined. From 35 yards and a difficult angle. Smith found the target

A draw when the match seemed lost could prove critical to Gloucester's season yet their alarming lack of authority in the second half suggested they are still a long way from maturity as true challengers for the champion-

Once 9-0 ahead, they failed to put the ball behind the Saracens back row as it smod off waiting to develop attacks around the fringes. Matthews, who is promising but inexperienced, persisted in kicking deep or attacking through his centres, who were swallowed up by the tireless defenders.

By diligence and spirit, Saracens contained the Gloucester forward effort. Their covering was blanketlike and they looked the more inventive in attack, especially from second-phase ball.

Gregory scored the only try to make it 12-9, after Dooley plucked Rudling's high kick from the sky. Overall, it was a most worthy Saracens effort. MOSI WORTHY SATACENS Effort.

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B Davies: A Roda, G Bottermen, S Wilson, C Terbuck, M Langley, L Ademaon, J Caesala, Corwiey.

GLOUCESTER: T Smite, J Pensit, D Caesia, D Curstons. S Momis; N Matthews, L Beck; P Jones, J Mineter, R Philips, P Ashmasal, N Sorivers, D Simms, I Smith, S Masters.

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Painter and Strett ex-WEEKEND RESULTS AND TABLES

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23 BRISTOL Orrali. Tries: Haisall, Morris, Manley Con. Strett. Pens: Strett (2) Dropped goal. Strett Bristol: Try: Hail Con Hall Dropped goal: Painter

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15, Old Mid-Whitgistiens 18, Cheshunt 23;
Palash 29, Surion and Epoom 18;
Thurnock 11, Eton Maner 0, Second
division north: Bishop's Stortford 22,
Tabard 17; Chingford 12, Finchley 8;
Isowich 10, Old Merchant Taylors' 4;
Norwich 13, Letchworth 3; Woodford 7;
Harlow 13, Second division south: Earler
19, Camberley 15, Gravesend 14, Old
Collelans 18; Old Sluss 6, Guildford and
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Gidea Park 4, Colchester 16. Third
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13; Charlton Park 42, Deritordians 14;
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Potherham 13, Widnes & Shoutken 15, Birkentheed Park 13, Wigton 6, Hertlespoot Hovers 9, Second division: Ainwick 19, Wast Park (3t Helane) 13: Certiste 9, Wigton 9, Huddersteld 3, Wharfedale 6, North West Pirk division: Caldy 6, New Brighton 53: Chaster 9, Manchester 13; Corsmond 4, Wiral 26: Macchested 29.

Devemport U. St. Edwards. Old Boys 3. Bedgley Park B. Second division: Ashton on Mersey 37, South Liverpool C. Kristoy Lonadale 9, Merseyside Police. 22. Netherhall 6, Wilmstow 7, Rochdale 6, Workington 3 North East: First division: Blaydon 19, Old Brodleisns 6; Gateshead Fell 6, Morpeth 7; Kelghley 19, Nevocastriars 6; West Park Branhope 15, Pontetract C. York 17, Roundhegians 10, Second division: Beverley 15, Papon 10; Blyth 3, Redear 15; Bridlington 10, Old u. weeter 3, Seby 12.

MEDLANDS: Courage Clubs Champ-lonainto: First division: Barkers' Butts 3, Weatleigh 6; Derby 17, Birmingham and Solitus! 12; Learnington 6, Leighton Buzzard 18; Syston 13, Manufald 3, Second division: east: Amber Velley 10, Bedford Ah 9; Bigglesswade 3, Stockwood Park 9; Scurnhorpe 4, Pater Midlands: Disonairs 16, Shrawsbury 12, Dudley Kingawinford 7, Old Yardislans 3; Kinga Narton 13, Old Hatdeonians 7; West Midlands Police 7, Luctonians 4, Notts, Lincs and Defry: Chesterfield 8, Meltigh 9; Glossop 17, Kesteven 12; Lincoh 0, Spalding 45; Slesiand 3, Dronfield 6, Staffordshire and Warwickshire: Country Weish 7, Nuneaton 06 8; Loek 6, Old Longtonians 9; Strattord upon Avan 56, Ecoleshell 9; Wilsenhell 13, Old Leaningtonians 12. WRFU NATIONAL LEAGUE First division: Ciffon 7, Headingley 0; Weeps 10, Seasons 3. Second division: Medway 16, Sate 4. Third division. London: Bion Manor 25, St. Alberts 6; Southend 0, Third division south crewby 50. No-mads 0 Third division south west Swenses (bloband 1) Con. South west

THE two emerging personal-5, sies of England's winter tour

imposed themselves so firmly

during the crushing defeat of

New Zealand on Saturday

that the aircraft bringing re-

aniorcements here next week

may only be carrying surplus

billingworth are primarily

i being flown out for the World

... Cup but their envisaged roles

were immaculately and deci-

ersively played by stand-ins in

the first one-day international

min the tour. Now Dermot

Reeve and Phil Tufnell are

the men in possession and mail not easily be pushed

Tuinell conceded only 37 grams from 20 overs in the

middle of the New Zealand

nainings. Reeve additionally traking three of the top five

wickets. But it was not so

ozeruch the figures that were

citie players providing them.

The For Reeve, each game he

plays, particularly prior to Botham's arrival, is a pre-

regious but pressured opportu-

mity. Ambitious, self-contained and something of a

oriloner, Reeve is determined

tar! Tufnell's pressures are dif-

deferent. He began the tour

New Zealand won toes-

G Wright c Stewert b Lewie Bottom-adged out
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with his attitude under scruti-

monot to waste a day.

impressive as the character of

Between them, Reeve and

Ian Botham and Richard

Latecomers could be surplus to requirements

Reeve is making

strong bid for World Cup place

FROM ALAN LEE, CRICKET CORRESPONDENT IN AUCKLAND

unkindly amplified, first by a

stur on the legality of his

bowing action and then, on

Saturday, by the uncouth at-

tentions of a yobbish element

Obscene, personal chants taunted Tufnell when he

fielded on the third man

boundary but, apart from

once returning the gestures of

his tormentors, he kept admi-

rably calm. When he became

the target for a volley of half-caten fruit, Tofoell was relo-

cated by the captain. The

England manager, Bob Bennett, will discuss the crowd's behaviour with the New Zea-

land Board's chief executive.

"I am sure the manage-ment can handle the situa-tion." Turnell said. "It is not pleasant when this sort of

thing happens but I am deter-

mined not to let it affect my

cricket." Let no one make the

mistake of believing Tufnell is suddenly choirboy material. But that he is trying to con-form, under a strain few other

players will encounter, is be-

The England management

has had to strike a difficult

balance between the stick and

the carrot with Tufnell, a bal-

ance that could easily have

been disturbed by the untime-

ly throwing allegation.

yond dispute.

NEW ZEALAND

Graham Dowling.

in the Auckland crowd.

ny. a scrutiny that has been Tufnell worries more than he

shows and was concerned

enough to ask the tour man-

ager if he had been contacted

by Lord's officials for a report

sure him and yesterday's

events were further evidence

of protection for a vital but

vulnerable part of the side. The benefit of possessing

such a bowler were again

obvious on Saturday in a

game one-sided enough to

become an embarrasament to

It was summed up later by

a gloomy Martin Crowe, the New Zealand captain. "We didn't take the initiative in the

first 15 overs of each innings.

England did. It taught us a

big lesson." There was, in-

deed, a pleasing air of pur-pose and efficiency about England's cricket, notwith-

standing three dropped

catches, and the home in-

nings was condemned to me-

diocrity long before Harris

and Cairns gave it a measure

Reeve had not previously on tour, located a consistent

line but, here, he was accu-

rate from the outset. There is

nothing robotic about him;

his bowling is a repertoire of variations, the most exotic

being an outrageous, looping

to be expansive," Micky Stew

art, the team manager, said.

"It is not easy to do when you

step up in class because the

tendency is to go into your

shell but Dermot is a cricketer

tagonistic brushes with Reeve

over the years and it will be an

early examination of his atti-

nude if, as now seems likely,

he finds the young, uncapped

pretender occupying his Test place when he arrives here.

Reeve is evidently impressing

both captain and manager

with his vibrant, hyperactive

approach, not to mention the

his dismissal of Andrew

"I could sense him getting

ence that surfaced in

Botham has had some an-

"We are encouraging him

of respect.

Bennett was able to reas-

on the matter.

New Zealand.

"On this form, we should certainly win a medal at the Winter Olympics," the driver, Mark Tout, said. "The gold will go to the team that puts it together at Albertville. And we are very much in contention.

The weekend saw an enormous rise in the bullishness of the British camp. The team runs an East German bobsleigh, and has a technical coach from East Germany, Horst Hornlein, the former national coach and a gold medal winner in the

The entire British squad now moves on to Altenberg, a 'centre of excellence" that was built by the great East German sports machine.

nts

There, the Brits will work in wind tunnels and seek to perfect their start on an indoor rink especially built for the

It is equipped with video, electronic timing apparatus and every other aid that sci-

ence can supply. The only disappointment of the weekend was the poor performance of Tout and his brakeman, Lenny Paul, in the two-man competition. The No. 1 team was eclipsed by

the understudies. Sean Olsson and Eric Sekwalor. Assuming this is an aberration. Tout and Paul are in with a chance of a medal in the two-man event. But the main British hopes are placed

on the four. "There is a great spirit in

the team - better than I have ever known before," Paul

Paul is a sprinter, with very real hopes of representing Great Britain in the Summer Olympics as well. The aimosphere at the weekend was unrelentingly purposeful, and impressively profession-al. "No one in the world has better equipment than us,"

"I know that I have the best brakeman in the business. The four was running really well all through Saturday. Everything about our prepa-

ration was right." But there was one other disappointment. When the final Olympic selection was made, for the non-travelling reserves and the subsidiary teams, as everyone had ex-

pected, there was no room at all for the most junior driver. A thousand headlines have been killed by this decision, for he has a name that nobody could either forget or believe. Bad luck, Captain

Appealing moment: Sir Richard Hadlee concludes a remarkable weekend of cricket in Auckland yesterday by playing in a charity match. It was his first game since undergoing heart surgery last June

West Indies find form

alive their hopes of reaching the World Series Cup final with victories over India and Australia in successive days. Australia, with nine points from seven games, are already assured of a place in the final, and West Indies are now favourites to join them.

With winds from Cyclone Betsi whipping up the Gabba grandstand flags, Australia were dismissed for 203 by a relentless pace quartet led by Parrick Patterson as West In-

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12 runs. West Indies also matched Australia's brilliance in the field, running out three batsmen, including the vital wickets of David Boon and Alian Border. "I didn't think we had enough runs but our guys bowled well," the West Indies captain, Richie Richardson, said.

Put in to bat, West Indies reached 168 for two with Brian Lara hitting five fours and a six in his 69, and

I Law run out

Elias run out

B Richardson o Moody b Taylor

Hooper c and b S R Waugh

Meet b McDermott

Marshall o Border b S R Waugh

L Ambrose b McDermott

Commission of Book b S R Waugh

Total (49.3 owns)

Australia also started soundly, with Boon and Geoff Marsh putting on 70 before Marsh fell to Patterson for 29. At 84 for three, with 28 overs remaining, Australia

were on target, but Border was run out by a throw from Anthony, and the innings subsided. Mark Waugh was bowled by Cummins for 17, his burther was also bowled. his brother was also bowled by Patterson for three, and when Healy was superbly run out by Hooper, Australia was staring at defeat.

dent 50. But McDermott and

Steve Waugh, with three wic-kets each, led an Australian fightback. The last eight wic-

kers fell for 47 runs as West

Indies were dismissed for

Taylor and McDermott then added 36 runs from 41 balls for the ninth wicket, but the 17 runs required from the last two overs proved too much, Hooper taking both wickets as West Indies won

with an over to spare. The day before, India never properly recovered from a dismal start. They slumped to 85 for six before the innings was given some substance by a sixth-wicket stand of 76 between Sachin Tendulkar. who made 77, and Kapil Dev. Anderson Cummins

took five for 31. West Indies lost their first two wickets for 34, but a determined 52 by the opener, Haynes, and Richardson's fine 72 guided them to a six-

Tedstone makes

FROM A CORRESPONDENT IN AUCKLAND

ENGLAND struck with three wickets in the last half-hour to out themselves in a strong position after the second day of the first women's Test match against New Zealand at Cornwall Park yesterday.

At the close of play, the home team was 81 for three, after England had declared at 356 for nine, but the outstanding feature of the touring side's innings was a world record ninth-wicket partner-ship of 99 by Janet Tedstone and Susie Kitson.

Tedstone finished with an unbeaten 55 after hitting four boundaries off 105 balls, and was quickly involved in the action again when she captured the wicket of the New Zealand captain, Debbie Hockley, when Kitson

AUSTRALIA

her mark

the gully. In the sweltering heat on Saturday, Jan Brittin scored 68 to become the secondhighest scorer of Test runs, behind Rachael Flint, and featured in a record English third-wicket partnership against New Zealand when she put on 129 with Carole Hodges, who was out one ball after her after making 57. SCORES: England: 356-9 dec (J British 68, C Hodges, 57, J Tedetone 55 no, J Turner 3-89, K Gunn 3-68). New Zeatand: 51-3

1. Total (7 Witts, 50 overs. 198 min) 78 1.75 R Lasen and D K Monteon disprot that. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-21 (Lathern 11 not out); 2-45-(Clowess; 3-37 (Crowe 12); 4-61 (Crowe 17); 5-61 (Harris 2); 6-166 (Harris 39); 7-167 (Harris 39); 1. BOWLING: Disproites 10-1-34-0 (w 1) (6-1-15-1, 40-21-0); Lewis 8-0-33-2 (no. 2) w 3) (5-0-18-1, 3-0-14-1); Pringle 6-1-31-2 (no. 1) (4-1-15-1, 20-171); Reserve 10-3-20-3; Turnell 10-3-17-0; Fick 6-0-29-0. INTERMEDIATE SCORES: 10 overs. 31 nums; 20, 54; 30, 81; 40, 118. frustrated," said Reeve, "and ENGLAND 'G A Gooch c Greetbach b Harris Chacked citive at knowinger to receivable G A Hick b Ceitns A J Lamb c Crows b Harris 12 - 2 20 19 Aliatimed drive to exist cover 23 - 4 35 31 TAJ Stowert, DA Reeve, C.C. Lewis, D.R.Pringle, P.A.J.DeFreites and P.C.R.Tuthell ckd not bet. | FALL-OF WICKETS: 1-64 (Goods 33); 2-109 (South 25); 3-123 (Smith 30). | BOWLING: Mornton 5.5-0-35-0 (nb 1, w 1) (3-0-28-0, 2.5-0-12-0); Pringle 5-0-28-0, 2.5-0-12-0); Pringle 5-0-28-0 (No. 1); Cairns 5-0-32-1 (nb 3); Larsen 9-8-38-0. | W 1]; Cairns 5-0-32-1 (nb 3); Larsen 9-8-38-0. | STEFIMEDIATE SCOPES: 10 overs; 60 nums; 20, 111; 30, 165. Umphree: S J Woodward and D 8 Covids - Cheauth: England won by 7 wickets with 16.1 overs to spare Man of the match: D A Resure Adjudicator: M C Snedden. Hemaining internationals: February 12: Dansdin, February 15: Christofarch.

M Phoreson Caraball b Patters 1K S More not out 8 L V Faitu o Williams b Cumm J Srinath o Williams b Cumm Graeme Hick, from cover, told me he was standing out Extras (b 4, fb 9, w 15, nb 8) . of his crease. I asked our Total (48.3 overe) 191 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-20, 3-21, 4-35, 5-62, 6-65, 7-161, 6-178, 9-191. wicketkeeper to stand up, putting him under pressure, and then tried the outswinger. The ploy worked, a triumph for thinking cricket. If England craved one fur-DL Haynes a sub b Raju ... PA Wellace a Street b Pra B C Lara c Many "R B Richardson

ther treat to complete their day it was a big score from Robin Smith and even this was not denied them. After Gooch and Hick had mocked the New Zealand total with an opening stand of 64 from ten overs, Smith took control. His 61 from 71 balls included 50 in boundaries and was exactly the injection of confidence he needed.

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68.3 overs)	P L Teylor b Hooper C J McDermott c Heynes b Hooper M R Whitney not out
E78: 1-13, 2-24, 3-133, 4	Extree (b 1, ib 4, nb 4 , w 2) Total (49 overs)
il Dev 10-3-33-0 (w 1 nb 1); 19-2 (nb 3); Srimath 9-3-27- light 7-0-27-0 (w 2, nb 5); Sriideanth 8-0-21-0 (w 5); (w 1).	FALL OF WICKETS: 1-70, 2-73, 34 120, 5-135, 6-141, 7-152, 8-164, 9-35 BOWLINS: Marshalf 9-1-39-0; Ara 10-1-37-1; Currenins 10-0-49-1; Patt 10-1-37-3; Hooper 10-0-36-2.
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CARLSBAD, Chiltomia: US Senior Tour Tourment Of Champions: Third round: 200: A Galberge, 71, 67, 71. 212: C C Flodriguez, 70, 75, 69, 214: L Trevino, 71, 67, 76. 216: 8 Crampton, 72, 71, 72. 218: D Weaver, 71, 72, 73, 72. 27. C Coody, 73, 75, 69; H Hamston, 73, 72, 72, 218: R Charles, 71, 72, 75; D Douglass, 73, 74, 71, 219: M H3, 75, 70, 74, J Ferray, 75, 73, 70, 220: L Ziegler, 76, 73, 71, 222: G Archar, 74, 75, 73, 222: R Thompson, 75, 76, 72: O Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71, 71; Charles, 74, 75, 73, 222: R Thompson, 75, 76, 71, 71; Charles, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71, 71; Charles, 75, 71, 72; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71, 71; Charles, 75, 71, 72; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78, 69; J Colbert, 76, 71; C Moody, 76, 78; C Mood

Rodger Davis: won at

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Framilinghetic Col 5, Norwich 1; Stowe 1, Magdelen 0; Hurstyseppoint 0, Charterhouse 0; Reed's 2, Wellington Bertarhire 8.

TYPHOD NATIONAL WOMEN'S LEAGUE: First division: Chelmsford 1, First Personnel Surton Coldfield 1; Easing 0, Leiceste 2; Ipswitch 8, Yate and South Gloe 2; Stough 3, Hightown 1; Windbedon 2, Ciston 1.

TERRITORIAL LEAGUES: Worner: East: Blankearts 3, Anchorisers 1; Bury St. Edmands 1, Copdock 0; Casterbury 1, Bedehearts 2, Welvyn Gerden City 0, North: Carleis 3, Crosby 1; Chester County Officers 1, Sunderhand Badans 1; Great Harwood 4, Navroustie 1; Il Case 0, Springledis 1; Poyring 5, Wilsfried 1; Workapp 0, Omstokk Ford 1. South: EastColo 0, Wincerhore Hill C, Peading 1, Tropins 2; Sunbarry 1, Working 4; Winchesters 0, Chellerian 1; Grean Dirigons 9, Exeler 0; Laorningter 1, East Gloucester 2; Chellerian 1; Grean Dirigons 9, Exeler 0; Laorningter 1, East Gloucester 1; Culis MATCHES: Harleston 3, Cambridge 3, Pressed Steel 1, Dulwich 1

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NATIONAL LEAGUE (NHLL: Friday: Buttato Sebres 8, Edmonton Osiors 2; Washington Capitals 7, Los Angeles Kings 4; Winnipeg Jets 8, Chicago Blacktawica 2; Calgary Flames 7, Pritaburgh Penguirs 5, Saturday; Boston Broars; 5, Pritadelphis Physrs 1, Edmonton Oliers 5, Ostrott Rad Wings 5 (OT), Toronto Maple Loafs 4, New Jursey Devid 3, St Louis Blass 8, New York Islanders 3; New York Rangers 7, Outside Nordiques 2; Miynesota North State 7, San Jose Starks 4; Montreal Caracters 3, Hartland Wheles 2. LACROSSE

BRIME MORTHERN LEAGUE First division: Cheadle 16, Old Waconana C. Hutmeisers 8, Sheffield Strellers 7; Mellor 12, Astron 9; Sale 5, Heaton Mersey 18; Sheffield University 0, Stockport 1. MOTOR RALLYING PARIS TO CAPE TOWN RALLY: FIL-PARIS TO CAPE TOWN RALLY: Fit-teerth stage (Nambe, Angola to Ruscine; stage abardoned effer 102cm because of Booding), Caris: 1, A Vetanian (Fri), Citroen, 18 Brint 59sec perustries; 2, B Weldegard (Swe), Citroen, at Imin 40sec: 3, B Saby (Fr), Mitsubishi, at 3:39; 4, K Shinozulor (Japen), Mitsubishi, at 3:49; 5, K School, Capina, Mitsubishi, at 3:49; 5, Mitsubishi, at 3:49; 6, K Shinozulor (Japen), Mitsubishi, at 3:49; 6, K Shinozulor (Japen), Mitsubishi, at 3:49; 7, Sima Sasec; 2, E Orbis (II), Cagina, at 1:30; 6, T Magnabi (Fr), Vensaha, at 1:39; 5, T Magn

Waldegard, 11:57; 5, Shinozuka, 12:01. Motorcycles: 1, Orioli, 3hr Olmin 44esc; 2, Magnaldi, at 23eec; 3, LaPorto, 4:45; 4, 8 Peterhanel (Pr), Yamaha, 7:18; 5, Arcarons, 15:23. NORDIC SKIING

wicket victory. (Agencies)

NORDIC SKIING

COGNE, Italy: Men's 15km World Cup cross-country event: 1, 8 Owhite (Nor), 41min 18.5esc; 2, T Mogner (Swe), 42:02.2; 3, 8 Brors (Nor), 42:08.1; 4, F Valbusa (II), 42:21.7; 5, V Ulvang (Nor), 42:30.7; 6, T Langi (Nor), 42:31.5; Oversit: 1, Ulvang, 101pts; 2, Dahlie, 57; 3, Langi, 50; 4, V Smirnov (Russia), 2, 4 x 10km relay: 1, Sweden, 1hr 46min 03.5esc; 2, Norway, 1:46:04.0; 3, Finland, 1:46:19.7; Women's 30km cross-country event: 1, S Betenando (II), 1hr 35min 03.5esc; 2, E Nilsen (Nor), 1:35:51.2; 3, T Oybendahl (Nor), 1:36:38.1; 4, M Di Cents (II), 1:37:04.5; 5, J Swedenam (Fin), 1:30:557.4; 5, J Swedenam (Fin), 1:38:55.7; 6, H Hegge (Nor), 1:39:39.9; Oversit: 1, E Valbe (Russia), 95:04.2, Belmondo, 71; 3, L Egerous (Pauses), 57: 4, Nilsen; 55: 4 x Sicm relay; 1, havy, 55min 03.2esc; 2, Finland, 55:20; 3, Norway, 55:05:9 Nations Cup standards: 1, Norway, 87:2pt; 2, Commonwealth of Independent States, 37:2, 3, Finland, 259; 4, hely, 251; 3, Sweden, 201; 6, Crechoslovalos, 125.
BRETTERNANG, Austria: World Cup combination: (30 metre skd jump and 15km cross-sountry); 1, K Suzerhäncher (Austria), 220.8m, 38mn 37:3sec; 2, F-8 Lundberg (Nor), 207:1, 38.20:2; 3, M Kucera (C2), 231; 4, 110:2; 4, K Oghwara (Japan), 198.6, 37:57:0; 5, F Guy (Fr), 195.8, 37:45:2; 8, Lundberg, 71; 3, Sulsenbacher, 68.

SHOOTING UPPER HUT, Wallington, New Zeeland: Rosa Trophy: Under-25: 1, Great Britan, 847 Sipts (6 Barnett, 171 22; A Luckman, 171 15: J Underwood, 170 22; D Arm-atrong, 188.17; B Winney, 185.17); 2 Australia, 842.73; 3, New Zeeland, 530.72 (1990) Sept. 1, Bromber, 50.07 Austrelle, 842.73; 3, New Zeeland, 830.72 Individual (900 yards); 1, Bromley, 50.07; 2, Bernett, 50.06; 3, A Roger (British Commonwealth RC), 50.04 Aggregate (300, 500 and 900 yards); 1, A Doyle (NZ), 174.21; 2, Barnett, 172.20, 3, N Hinchliffe (GB), 170.20; 4, J Oplins (London and Indiddeext), 170.19.

GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN, Germany: Men's World Cup: Downhill: 1, M Wasmain (Ger). Imin 50 55sec; 2, P Ortfleb (Austra), 150.84; 3, H Teuscher (Ger), 151.25; 4, B Stermille (Can), 151.25; 5, Helmser (Switz), 15.54; 6, D Mehrer (Switz), 151.65; 7, J E Thorsen (Nor), 151.68; 8, A J Kult (US), 151.68; 9, P Accola (Switz), 151.65; 10, M Girardelli (Lus), 151.86; Britist: R Duncan, 153.29. Overall: 1, Hennes, 211pts; 2, Kitt, 195.3, Ortfleb, 178; 4, L Slock (Austria), 160; 5, Wasmaier, 140; 6, X Gigandet (Switz), 122 Super glant-station: 1, P Holzer (I), Imin 17.09sec; 2, Accola, 1:17.12; 3, P Rzehak (Austria), 117.16; 4, A GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN, GER

Sanigagliesi (R), 1:17.21; 5, Tauscher, 1:17.25; 6, Wasmeser, 1:17.37; 7, U Leimann (Switz), 1:17.54; 8, T Stianson (Nor), 1:17.77; 9, Thorsen, 1:17.84; 10, Geardell, 1:17.80. Overall: 1, Accola, 135;91; 2, Girardelli, 1:34; 8, Holzer, 100; 4, Sanigat, 86; 5, A Standard (Nor), 87; 6

SKI JUMPING

PREDAZZO, Yaly: World Cup 90-metre
event: 1, M Hoelwerth (Austrie), 241, 4pte
(94m and 92-5), 2, M Martinsson (Swo),
232-6; 3, S Taelberg (Swo), 229-3; 4, I
Lunard (II), 224-9; 5, Sakala (Cr), 222-8;
6, E Vetton (Austria), 218.1, World Cup
positions (after nine eventy) 1, T
Meminen (Fin), 137pta; 2, W Pathrneyer
(Austria), 98; 3, F Jez (Cz), 82; 4, S Zuend
(Switz), 71; 5, Vettorf, 69; 6, Hoelwerth,
68, Tearm event: 1, Austria, 657.6pts; 2,
Finland, 632-5; 3, Switzarland, 606.5; 4,
Sweden, 588.1; 5, Czechoelovstva, 569.3;
8, Franca, 559.4

SQUASH RACKETS LEEDS: Northern Championship York-shire 2, Northumbria 3.

TABLE TENNIS

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TENNIS AUCKLAND: ATP tournament: Semi-finals: J Y2aga (Peru) bt G Connell (Can), 64, 6-2, M Washington (US) bt M Zoeche (Ger), 6-2, 6-4. Final: Y2aga bt Washington, 7-6, 6-4.

ADELAIDE: Men's challenge tournaments (US) M ment: Second round: J Counter (US) by J McEnroe (US), 63, 64; 3 Ediberg (Swe) by G Ivanssevic (Crosse), 3-6, 6-1, 4-1, ret MIDDLESBROUGH: VW national series semi-final: Men: M Barnard bi G Fowler,

semi-final: Men: M Barnard bl G Fowler, 5-7, 5-3, 5-1; M West bl B O'Connor, 7-5, 6-Q. Women: I, Perluns bt S Borwell, 6-0, 6-3; J Wray we E Fieldher, scr.

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PRIMILEY GREEN: World champion-ships: Sami-finat. M Gregory (Eng.) bt K Kanny (Eng.), 5-3. Finat: P Taylor (GE) bt Gregory, 5-5.

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Ferguson still has plenty in reserve

Manchester United 1

By STUART JONES POOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

BOLTON Wanderers reserves will walk out today with an acute sense of inadequacy. The opposition, which will include the former England captain, the young player of year last season and four other players who have represented England inter-

cavalry waiting impatiently to charge over the hill for the sake of Manchester United. For more than a month, Bryan Robson, Mike Phelan, Mark Robins, Lee Martin and Danny Wallace have been inactive. Lee Sharpe has also been restricted to the odd and usually abbreviated outing with the first team. All are

nationally, makes up a

to resume this afternoon. Whereas the reserves have been idle - their Central League programme has been suspended since December 10 — the seniors have been busy, especially against Leeds United, and the strain shows.

Alex Ferguson, during a protracted apology in the programme on Saturday, described "the awful, abject failure" against Queen's Park Rangers on New Year's day as "our greatest debacle".

The United manager admitted that the opening dozen minutes against Everton provoked fears of another catastrophe at home. A defence that has recently lost cohesion, and conceded ten goals in the previous five middle again and could easily

have let in a couple more. The recovery was never wholly convincing and Beardsley, vying with Webb as the most perceptive indi-vidual, later fashioned clear openings for Warzycha and ottee, either of which should have been worth a point.

No wonder, then, that Ferguson was relieved. Compared to the vivid pictures painted during the Rumbelows Cup triumph at Eliand Road in midweek, his side put on show a row of dull

smudges. On either side of the interval, though, they were struck by the necessary

After Hughes had nudged the foot of a post with a glancing header. Bruce threaded a gloriously incisive pass through the Everton back four. Kanchelskis demonstrated his explosive speed before deftly steering in his sixth goal of the season.

His contribution in attack was matched by Parker in defence. Developing into more than a limpet of a markpreviously concealed creative ideas up the right flank and deserves to fill the same role against France at Wembley

Significantly, Graham Taylor, before travelling to Gothenburg for the Europe-Friday, chose to visit Old Trafford. The impression left by Parker contrasted with that of Pallister, the giant central defender whose afternoon was littered with errors.

He, more than anyone else, appears to have suffered from the "War of the Roses" but Ferguson insists that "the gruelling fixtures against Leeds have taken a lot" out of each member of his line-up. More will be extracted during the delayed FA Cup third-round tie on Wednesday.

Although muscles have tightened over the last two games - both staged on heavy pitches - he is not expected to change his winning side. There is no need to rush Robson back before he is ready, as has been the case in

Inevitably, though, Ferguson will have to inject an air of freshness to boost the club's challenge for the championship. Those who are being kept in reserve, and the list includes Irwin, will go back on parade today with the hope that he makes the decision sooner rather than later. MANCHESTER UNITED: P Schmeichel Parker, C Blackmore (sub. M Doneghy), S Brucz, N Webb, G Pallister, A Karcheldia, P Ince, B McClair, M Hughes, R Gigge EVERTON: N Southelf, M Jackson, M

Kacren, D Wasson, A Narper, R Warzyche (sub: R Atleveld), M Ward, J Ebbrell, F Beagne (sub: A Cottee), M Johnston, P Beagnacy Reference: T Holbrook.



Standing the strain: Graham, left centre, and his opposite number, Ron Atkinson, at Highbury

Arsenal's decline continues

"ARE they getting worse, or are they are just getting worse?" The old, sareastic supporters' cliché could be heard a dozen times as the underground train rattled away from Highbury. Hav-ing stretched Tottenham in the FA Cup last week, Aston Villa now severely embar-rassed Arsenal in the League during a 0-0 draw.

Arsenal's season continues to decline around them. In the Rumbelows Cup against Coventry, the Euro-pean Cup against Benfica, the FA Cup against Wrex-ham and now the League, in which they lie seventh, their form has fallen apart. All competitions are proving beyond the grasp of the

League champions.
On Saturday's evidence, against a lively and somewhat unorthodox Villa, the situation may indeed get worse before it gets better, never mind George Gra-ham's persistent but slightly strained assurances to the contrary.

Although something of a midfield artist himself functional Arsenal team, he produced as a manager

was more notable for function than flair. Arsenal stopped others from playing: now, as on Saturday, they, too, are being stopped by others, and they don't have the flair to break out.

It could be said in their favour that Bould and Limpar. both injured, and Wright, suspended, were missing, but that only served to demonstrate another problem: that reserves such as Campbell. Carter, Groves and Pates are not up to the level needed by such

an ambitious club.

The crowd, quite apart from general abuse by dissatisfied customers directed at its team as Daley and Regis sliced this way and that through Arsenal's rearguard, was demanding the removal of the unfortunate Carter long before Groves replaced Merson; and that brought even more disap-

Trends in football, suc-Graham matured in a celerating. If Arsenal are in League which they helped decline, Villa are ascendant.

a true captain's drive alongside the fluid Yorke; Me-Grath, the opposite of Adams, looks clumsy but defends with rugged authority; up front, Daley frightens any defence with his electric, erratic running, while Regis gives the attack pivot-al direction.

When Arsenal were at their collective peak, Dixon and Adams, in spite of certain limitations, were able to be assured. That position has gone: the centre of Arsenal's defence is being turned uncomfortably and too regularly, while Dixon is looking more a runner-andbooter these days. Yet the real problem for Arsenal, I feel, is in midfield, where

Rocastle is poorly support-ed. Hillier does not seem the answer, while Merson is more forager than creator. It is, of course, increasingly difficult to find in the Football League any players with the touch of a Brooking or Ardiles, simply because the style of play allows no one any time. Arsenal are suffering from a

establish. The first half was dreary in the extreme. Daley was constantly threatening, and Arsenal's best moment came when Smith, turning sweetly past McGrath, dropped the ball in front of Campbell, who failed to control it. At the other end, O'Leary might have brought a goal for Villa when he passed back straight to Daley's feet, Sea-man rescuing the situation.

Merson fired over the bar from 18 yards, and the baif ended with Sealey saving spectacularly as Campbell shot first time from Rocastie's square pass.

Arsenal continued to live dangerously during much of the second half. Smith having squandered an open goal from ten yards that might have given them some stability. Regis, like-wise, missed at the other end, Scaman saving well, and the latter part of the match was distinguished mainly by the howls of an-ASTOR VELLA: L. Sealey; D. Russon, o. Small, S. Teale, P. McGraff, K. Filcherdson, A. Daley, S. Froggett, G. Perver, C. Regia, D. Yorke, Referenc K. Hackett.

and the championship team Richardson is playing with

IAN Branfoot, the Southampton manager, was still able to see a chink of light after the 4-2 home defeat against Sheffield United on Saturday (Russell Kempson

writes). should have won it." His side

Third division

is now two points adrift at the against Manchester United bottom of the first division table. Le Tissier and Hall fell for the seventh time at The embroiled in the relegation

Queen's Park Rangers trailed 2-0 at Coventry City with 15 minutes remaining.

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recently a mere fading memory. Penrice then revived

tal Palace, a Curle penalty cancelling out a Bright effort just before half-time. Steve Coppell, the Palace manager, subsequently decided that he will no longer attend post-

because of the adverse publicity his club has attracted in recent months. "Steve wants to get back to basics rather than get sidetracked by controversy," Alan Smith, Coppell's assistant, said. "We have been talking about the

The Nottingham derby fin-

Allen's surprises turn around Chelsea's season

Tottenham Hotspur...... 0

By KEITH BLACKMORE

CHELSEA brought an ab-rupt halt to their slide down the first division with an excellent performance at Stamford Bridge on Saturday that suggested something may yet be salvaged from the wreckage of another disappointing SCASOR.

True, Tottenham were without Lineker and Durie, both injured, and may have had their minds on other things, like their FA Cup replay with Aston Villa tomorrow. But Chelsea's superiority
was so complete that their
manager, Ian Porterfield,
had every right to feel encour-

aged.
"That was our second clean sheet in a row," he said. "It's very important. Good sides are built from the back. I don't think Spurs created two chances all afternoon."

Much of the credit for that must go to the central defenders, Cundy and Elliott, who were simply too good for Walsh and Nayim, but Chelsea had important contributors all over the place. Townsend was his usual immaculate self, rounding up the loose ball without hurry or fuss before distributing it with

Often enough, he sought out Wise, who had one of those days which make his England caps seem less than preposterous. But it was Clive Allen who really caught the

eye. In the seven League

player outily addited tourid games he has played since arriving from Manchester City, he has scored five goals, the latest coming after 12 minutes on Saturday.

Collecting Stuart's pass, he ran across goal before squeezing a shot between Thorstvedt and his near post. Tottenham should have needed no reminding of Allen's abilities as Peter Shreeves, their manager, wearily observed afterwards.

From where he was, most strikers are supposed to aim That's what they're taught But he went the other way and it screamed in That's Clive for you. The element of surprise. I've been seeing him': do that sort of thing since he

Allen sprang another suring goalmaker. Picking up Townsend's clever pass, he wriggled past two challeng before delivering the ball m Wise, who chipped nearly over the goalkeeper.

It was no more than Chelsea or Tottenham deserved. as Shreeves was quick to acknowledge. He had to look, elsewhere for comfortage came through 70 minutes. something good has come from the day," Shreeves said

Luton's bad habit proves expensive

Liverpool Luton Town

By IAN ROSS

FOR one who has an enviable ability to illuminate even the. darkest corner with his selfdeprecating humour, David Pleat the Luton manager, cut- turned Nogan's harmless a sad and despondent figure cross into his own net. after a prospective victory had defeat in the dying minutes of the game against Liverpool at Antield on Saturday.

After rebuffing a succession of incisive assaults to move within five minutes of the final whistle with their onegoal advantage intact, Luton lost both their poise and

Although the present Liverpool side may lack the ruthless streak of old, it is still capable of accepting an invi-

tation to punish hesitancy. "That must be the tenth time this season that we have conceded late goals," Pleat said. "The problem was that we had young boys out there who did not know how to kill

a game. In the end the

pressure of playing at Anfield overtook them.

It was the withdrawal of the njured Preece, shortly afterthe interval, that reduced Law ion's effectiveness as they sought to defend the advantage which had been gifted to them in the 31st minute when Tanner inexplicably

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Even so, Liverpool's finish that Tanner's misfortune seemed destined to divide the. teams until the Luton defence, to a man, lost concen-

Four minutes remained. when McManaman tapped? in from close range after

Wright had headed on. Houghton's hopeful cross. The game had entered its: third minute of injury time

when Saunders arrived at the near post to convert one of: Barnes's better passes.

LIVERPOOL: B Grothelser, R Jones, G. Molby (auto: R Rosenflad), S Nool, M. Wight, N Tenner, D Saunders, P-Houghton, S Mohlement, J Barries, R Thomas.
LUTON TOWN: S Sutton; J James, R-Henvey, C Karnara, J Denyer, T Pasks, R Toffer, B Stein, K Nogan, M Persintigs, D. Preson (auto: S Oakes).
Reference: W Burns.

Everton sign Ablett

HOWARD Kendall, the tingham Forest Ablett, aged manager of Everton, has 25, has been unable to comagain turned to the reserve mand a regular first-team team of his neighbours, Liverpool, to strengthen his own

squad (Ian Ross writes). Gary Ablett, the England B international defender, completed a £750,000 transfer from Anfield to Goodison Park late on Saturday night and is expected to make his League game against Not- purpose footballer."

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place at Liverpool this season. despite the club's extensive catalogue of injury problems.

"I have admired Gary for some time." Kendall said, admitting to having tried to sign him when at Manchester City. "Although he will be filling the left-back position. I debut in next Sunday's home have bought a useful dual-

Second division

Branfoot hopeful despite Southampton defeat

"It was all down to stupid individual errors," he said. "It may sound daft but take them out and it was as well as we've played all season. At 2-2, we were in control and

scored for Southampton, who Dell this season. United, also fray, replied with two goals from Lake and one each from Ward and Marwood.

their sparkling 4-1 victory

Rangers with two goals to Manchester City also left it late to scrape a draw at Crys-

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wrong things and we need to calm down. ished 1-1, too. Forest scored through Black, Dryden levelled for County. First division

WEEKEND FOOTBALL RESULTS AND TABLES Second division HAMILTON (1) 2 AYR UTO Clark 6 Bryon 71 LEE Chapman raced up the Brit division goalscorers' table with his trable at Hillsborough. Others gained ground on Aldridge's tally of 28, Holdsworth is just two behind and Bamber has 24. Stoke and Barnet had their first sentdings-off of the seasop, the fourth division club having two beavers disminister. ALBION R (1) 1 BERWICK (2) 2 McCoy 21 Todd 7 Case 25 IGUAAFPICK (I) 0 MORTON Medinio 65 MEACWENK (I) 2 PORFAR 201 MONTROSE (I) 2 RANT IR Streng 15 MacSay 35 1,200 PARTICK (I) 2 CLYDEBAF Duffy 33 Irons 46 Eddie 40 3,107 STERLING A (I) 1 DURIDEE Chieg 57 2,500 HOME AM Next Josing 19 McCulloch 29 (0) 0 (2) 2 2 CLYDEBANK(i) 1 Endie 40 ENS PK (0) () CLYDE NPAER (1) 3 STENSMRIFI (1) 2 4 38 McClefferty 1 6 8 75 Keep 87 Lge FA LC Odi Tel. 18 3 2 20 16 2 16 nd division Lge FA LC Och Tot Holdsworth (Bitord) 14 4 Roberts (Huddfd) 14 3 Biggins (Stoke) 17 -Philistick (Sotton) 11 4 Gleghom (Bham) 11 -Tennents Scottish Cup Curzon Ashton.
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Outplayed County stand their ground

Nottingham Forest..... 1 Notis County1

THE cheer that greeted the final whistle said it all: those that laugh last last loudest. Taunted from the terraces, their team exposed and at times hopelessly overrun infront of them, Notis County's outnumbered band bellowed their celebration when 90 minutes of this Nottingham derby came to an end. The points may have been shared, but the moral victory belonged to them.

This was a point defiantly won, and two points stupidly lost. It was a point proved and a lesson learned. It was also, undeniably. Notes County's day. Neil Warnock's smile was ample evidence of that. "We had a bad week, but that does make me feel a lot better," the County manager said. "We came here and got a point and after a bad first half, we didn't let our disappointment get to us. It would have been easy to buckle and throw the towel in, but we stuck at it. I was pleased for the supporters."

Not half as pleased as they were. The baiting began an hour before the kick-off. Intermittent chants of "four-nil, four-nil' rang from the Forest supporters as they reminded their visitors of their winning margin at Meadow Lane earlier in the season. "What's it like to see a crowd?" they asked. They were answered by a solemn silence, one that barely lifted throughout the

And with good reason: Forest were glorious. They struck: one of those rich veins of form

that; on days such as this gives them the beating of anyone. With Gemmill prompting, Keane running, Woan covering, Glover ferreting away in front of them and, above all, Pearce maintaining the ferocious pace, they laid on an exhibition of the finer arts of football. It was festival stuff, County could do nothing about it and had Forest scored eight before half-time nobody in the ground would have been surprised.

Yet they only scored once. after three minutes, when Black drove through Cherry's fingers high into the net. After that, heroic goalkeeping, the woodwork and some dreadful finishing preventing the rout everyone expected. Though the siege was relentless, County, somehow, held on Surely they would fold in the second half? Not a bit of it: some well-

chosen words from Warnock, a reshuffle at the back and Chris Short's new devotion to man-marking Keane changed everything. As County returned to fray in midfield, Dryden equalized with a deep header.

Bartlett, on as a substitute caused problems with his pace while, at the other end, Cherry remained inspired. When Pearce hit the woodwork three minutes from the end, the die was cast. The big club's class had been matched by the little club's

NOTTINGHAM POREST: M Consist; C Charles (sub: G Crosby), S Peace, L Welter, C Tior (sub: D Wassell); R Keens, I Black, S Germill, L Glover, E Shedngham,

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Bygones are eager to put their cases

BY PETER BALL

Burnley and Blackpool, fashioned a game of open, attacking football to provide a forceful argument for maintaining the existing League

in the process of having their defence exposed by Blackpool's fast, sweeping raids in a 5-2 reverse, only their second defeat in 21 marches since Jimmy Mullen took over as manager, Burnley also lost their place at the top of the fourth division. But it was a scoreline along with the vibrant all-ticket crowd and a winger in the familiar tangerine No. 7 shirt -Rodwell — who played a big part with two goals that made it tempting to recall the days when Blackpool and the Lancashire cotton-town teams were giants in the land, and some potential premier leaguers were also rans in the

third division south. - Blackpool's convincing argument for their own survival

AT THE weekend, two of the was only marginally more im-sport's former great powers, pressive than Burnley's. After Burnley and Blackpool, fash-the disappointment of missing out in the play-offs last year, both clubs are coming back in style. Only some taste-less abuse directed at Mullen, Blackpool's former manager, and his family spoiled a sainfying afternoon.

When Burnley and Blackpool were at the height of their powers, Barnet were still smateurs. They sometimes defend as if they still are, and they also went down 5-2, at home to Rotherham, who joined them on 43 points, leaving Mansfield the main beneficiaries of the leaders'

In the third division Breatford bear Stoke, who had Wayne Biggins sent off, in the day's most significant game. BLACKPOOL: J Keerton; D Burgons, P Stonemen, P Grobest, D Kerr, I Gom, A Rockwell, A Gouck, D Bursboy; D Syess, BURNLEY: M Kendelt: I Meastern, J Jefach, S Devis, J Pender, A Festell, S Harper, (auch A Reschall, J Devry, J Francis, M Control, R EL.



Southend stay on course

Southend United

Derby County...

THE manager regularly acts as caller at the club's over-60s

bingo afternoons, their most expensive player cost £175,000, and the ground is built on what used to be a rubbish tip. In short, Southend United

are unlikely Premier League candidates. Yet David Webb's team occupies the second promotion position and is on course for visits to Anfield and Old Trafford. If off-the-pitch arrange-

Lawrence imposes gag THE Middlesbrough man-forgiven for thinking that the

ager, Lennie Lawrence, has banned everyone at the club. including the chairman, from talking publicly about the prospect of two Rumbelows Cup semi-final games with Manchester United.

Lawrence, whose team is chasing a place in the Premier League, refuses to accept that the quarter-final replay against Peterborough United on January 22 is a formality. "It will be a tough hurdle and as far as I'm concerned we can look no further forward

than that game," he said.

Manchester United, beaten
by Sheffield Wednesday in
last season's final, could be

Southend's organisation on it is impressive. So much so that, despite playing scrappi-ly, they dominated an understrength Derby on Saturday. Had they delivered the ball

to feet more frequently, and had the crossing of Andy Ansah been more accurate, County could have departed heavy losers. Even so, the Derby defence capitulated on 30 minutes when, after a onetwo with Benjamin, Ansah cut in from the right to beat Shilton. Although he embarrassed Forsyth to the extent that the Derby left back was withdrawn, Ansah delivered only one telling centre - from

which Tilson miscued.

If Derby's most ta

trophy could at last be on its

way to Trafford. "On paper it has got to be the easier draw," their manager, Alex Ferguson, said.
"Our players have tasted the
Wembley atmosphere and

they want to get back there. That will be a big incentive." Tottenham Hotspur will play the winners of the Crystal Palace-Nottingham Forest quarter-final replay and like Manchester United will be away in the first leg.

SSMI-FINAL DRAWE Crystal Paleos or Notlingham Forest v Totlerham Hotspur; Petarborough or Middlestrough v Mancheter United. Flast legs, February 9 or 12. Return legs, March 1 or March 4.

individuals, McMinn and Paul Williams, had been fit, the outcome might have been different. County, whose promotion push is faltering, may rue the decision to sell Harford, the former England forward, to Luton Town.

Southend lack class players but the likes of Cornwell, Scully, Benjamin and Angeli appear prepared to jump through hoops of fire for

Sunderland's 6-2 home win against Millwall means that the Wearsiders have won every game since the dismiss-al of Denis Smith at Christmas. Ironically, the match featured three goals from Goodman, whose £1 million signing was virtually Smith's last act at Roker Park.

Blackburn Rovers stay top after a 4-0 truimph against Bristol City, but a Payton's goal, against Ipswich Town, ensured that Middlesbrough remain in the hunt.

So do Cambridge United. whose 2-0 win at Swindon Town featured a goal from Neil Heaney. On loan from Arsenal, he travelled to Wiltshire for the ride; when O'Shea ricked his back before the kick-off, he was promoted to substitute and came on to SCORE

SOUTHEND UNITED: P Senecine: Austin, C Powell, K Jones (sub: P Buffer), Scully, S Prior, A Anseth. J Cornwell, Tileon, I Bonjamin, B Angell.
DERBY COUNTY: P Shilton; M Pasters: M Forsyth (sub: J Kinesnegh), G Williams, Colemes, A Cornys, M Challe, Omoodicoyd, M Statlard, J Davidson, Sturridge (sub: S Haywerd).
Referee: A Ward.

GOLF

Putter win is at the cost of an air ticket

By JOHN HENNESSY

MARK Cox surprised not only the rest of the field but also himself in winning the President's Putter at Rye yesterday. He had thought so little of his chances that he had hooked a Sunday Apex ticket back to Boston, which had to be sacrificed in the interest of golfing glory. He beat a fellow Cambridge Blue, Andy Edmond, winner against Ted Dester in 1984. by 2 and 1.

Cox's modesty was under-standable as in four previous Putters he had fallen at the first hurdle. His record now reads, more impressively, played 11, won 7, lost 4. If, then, a place even in the semifinal exceeded his own ambitions he had arrived with no intention of being mere can-

He has, he said, been moving about too much in recent years to keep his game together, but he has been playing seriously for six months and, as he showed yesterday, has developed a compact, eco-

nomical swing. Cox, who originates from Southampton, came closer to defeat in the semi-final yesterday against Chris Nevill, a flying doctor from Kenya Cox was four up after eight, all square after 15 and squeezed home with a birdie our at the first extra hole.

Edmund had similarly dispatched John Behrend, aged 58, with a four at the 19th in the morning. An embarrass ing half, almost requiring the use of a calculator, had sent them out again, Behrend maintaining that "the legs were all right, but the mind had gone". Edmund went from all

square at the turn in the final to three down at the 12th, where he drove onto collected rubbish the wrong side of the old railway track. "Ground under disrepair, someone called it. But the free drop evailed him naught.

RESIATS: Rith round: P J Horg (St Catherine's, Cembridge) bit A Delay (Streamose, Oxford), I hole; A G Edmand (Drelly, C) bit D I Wilson (Magdalene, C), 7 and 6; J E Bettered (Corpus Christ, O) bit A J Bleson (Carlet Church, O), 4 and 2; P Desson (Corpus Christ, C) bit A W M R Mts. (Phos (Christ, C) bit M W M R Mts. (Phos (Christ, C) bit J M Caplan (Magdalen, C), 1 for bit J J N Caplan (Magdalen, C), 1 for bit J J N Caplan (Magdalen, C), 1 for bit J J N Caplan (Magdalen, C), 1 for bit J M T Wisman (Solwyn, C), 3 and 2 C G Nevill (Calax, C) bit J Harped (St Anse's, O), 4 and 3; M.J Resoc (Bit Catherne's, C) bit C D Mascher (Fitzerfillen, C), 19th, Shoth round: Edward bit Hogg, 8 and 5; Behrend bit Dewson, 2 and 1; Cox bit Stracey, 2 and 1; Nevil bit Reson, 1 hale. Sami-ficales. Edmand bit Behrend, 19th; Cox bit Nevill, 19th, Firet Cox best Edmand, 2 and 1.

McNulty feels at home with Open success

Harare: Mark McNulty proved the value of local knowledge at Royal Harare yesterday when he brushed aside all challengers in the Zimbabwe Open (a Special Correspondent writest

His final round of 68, for an aggregate of 272, left him nine shots ahead of his nearest rival, fellow Zimbabwean, Tony Johnstone, and ten shots clear of Craig Maltman and John McHenry, of Britain.

☐ Gold Coast, Australia: Rodger Davis shot a five-overpar 77 but held on to win the Sanctuary Cove Classic for the second year. Davis's 283 total beat Grant Waite, an American-based New Zealander, by two shots. (AP)

RUGBY LEAGUE

Holliday's time in control gives trophy to Widnes

Widnes BY KETTH MACKLIN

ONLY those who saw the Regal Trophy final at Wigan will fully comprehend what happened. Leeds, unbeaten in 11 matches and at full strength except for the longabsent Ellery Hanley, were clear favourites to beat a Widnes side with a makeshift pack, a third-choice scrum half in Dowd, and a recent

shump in form. This was to be the day when the great Leeds revival was sealed. Doug Laughton to lead his new team to triumph against the club with which he enjoyed a decade of contin-**UOUS SUCCESS.** What happened was that

Leeds were devastated as Widnes tore into them from the first minute to the last. snuffing out the threats of the international half backs. Schofield and Goulding, and ripping the allegedly improved Leeds defence to

That Leeds were not allowed to score deepened the embarrassment for them and for the supporters who provided the majority of the 17,000 crowd at Central Park. Leeds never looked like scoring, and their only token gestures of defiance were isolated wing breaks by Bentley and Ford, and one kick ahead and re-gather by Goulding in

his only spark of life. Widnes were without their powerful southern hemisphere forwards, Koloto and Faimalo, and their scheming scrum half, David Hulme, and they took the risk of dropping the out-of-form hooker, McKenzie, normally the mainspring of their

It made no difference, as reserves Smith, Howard and

Dowd played their hearts out in a tremendous per-

With the long kicks of Davies constantly driving Leeds back, and Tait and Devereux surging through in support of the Sorensen-led forwards, Widnes attacked constantly. The man-of-the-match award went to the loose forward, Holliday, who did more in 58 minutes on the field than the whole complement of Leeds players in 80 minutes.

Holliday landed a dropped goal and then collected his own neat chip over the defence for Wright to send in Davies for the first try. Davies adding the goal. In the opening half. Widnes had three tries disallowed and Davies missed a simple penalty, otherwise the scoreline would have been even more one-

In the second half, the de-Widnes exorcised two ghosts, the loss of Laughton to Leeds and the troubled departure of Martin Offiah to Wigan.

Holliday collected his own high kick to touch down for the second try, as Edwards made his only fumble, and then it was Holliday's pass which sent Devereux galloping down the right to cross kick for Tait to get there first.

The final try, giving Widnes their first Regal Tro-phy triumph for 13 years, was a triumph for two prop for-wards, the substitute, Grima, crashing through to send Sorensen galloping over from 25 metres.

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Offiah is off the mark

MARTIN Offiah got his first try for Wigan in the 63rd minute of his second match as his new club established a three-point lead at the top of the first division with a 28-22 win at Bradford yesterday (Keith Macklin writes). Northern scored three late tries through Shelford, Marchant and Cordle to make the scoreline more

respectable Ironically, Offiah's try was made for him by an unselfish final pass from David Myers, the man he has replaced in the Wigan threequarter line. Edwards scored two tries for scored three tries.

Wigan to bring his season's total to 22. The match at St Helens

ended in a fracas involving nearly all the players except the home captain. Shane Cooper, who occupied himself by practising kicking goals while the fury erupted at the other end. When the turmoil was sorted out, Nickle, of St Helens and Clark, and Fisher, of Featherstone Rovers, were sent off. St Helens won 28-10.

Swinton slumped to another heavy defeat at home to Halifax, for whom Austin

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AMERICAN



Gourlay's record

DAVID Gourlay ir, of Prestwick yesterday became the first player to complete a clean sweep of all six CIS Insurance Scottish indoor bowls championships.

Gourlay, a past winner of the junior singles, triples, fours and two-bowl pairs, last month won the national singles championship and yesnerday's win in the pairs completed his feat.

Barkley champion Boxing: Iran Barkley stopped his fellow-American, Darrin Van Horn, midway through the second round to become the new International Boxing Federation super-middleweight champion.

CIS compete Olympic Games: The Commonwealth of Independent States will field united

teams" for the Winter and Summer Olympics. Yzaga's title Tennis: The unseeded Jaime

Yzaga, of Pent, overcame

MaliVai Washington, 7-6, 6-

4, in the final of the New

Zealand Open. -

First winners

Athletics: The world championship gold medal winners, Kriss Akabusi and Liz McColgan, are the first winners of the athlete of the year awards by the newly formed British Athletic Federation. Britain's top race walkers, Les Morton and Betty Sworowski have been pre-

selected for the Olympics. Ginther excels

Skiing: Sabine Ginther completed a fine weekend in the women's World Cup stalom and combination events vesterday. The Austrian, second in Saturday's downhill, went one better in the slalom at Schruns in Austria.



Barkley, quick time

HOCKEY

Germans overcome Scots holders

By Sydney Friskin

St Albans, the English

champions, settled for fourth

place after losing 11-3 to

Austrian All Stars. Jennines

CLUB An Der Alster won the Glenfiddich international indoor tournament at Kelvin

Hall, Glasgow, after a 6-3 victory over NMP Menzieshill, of Dundee, the holders. The scores were tied at 2-2 at the end of a tranquil first half, but in an more explosive second period, the Germans

took an unassailable lead. offs yesterday morning and Leaders stretch gap THE contenders were sorted Brown breaking from midfrom the pretenders in the

against Hightown, Karen and South Gloucester.

Saturday (Alix Ramsay writes). As the four leading clubs all played one another, victory for Slough and Leicester edged them further ahead of the pack led by Hightown and Ealing.

Typhoo National League on

Hightown knew what they had to do to beat the champions but, while they followed their game plan well, they could not convert what chances came their way. Slough opened the scoring

scored twice to finish top scorer with 18 goals, two ahead of Christi, of Menzieshill. Both semi-finals were decided in sudden-death play-

field down the right to set up Kate White for a simple chance. Three minutes later,

Hightown tried the same ploy

for Tina Cullen to equalise. After the break, Slough

stepped up a gear with goals by Sam Wright and Kate Parker. Leicester managed to break their league duck against Ea-

ling, winning 2-0. Meanwhile, with attention focused elsewhere, Ipswich took their chance to creep into third place from sixth with an 8-2 victory over Yate one case there was passion and eventual ecstacy when McPherson scored the winner for Menzieshill against St Albans; in the other, sheer clinical efficiency enabled the Germans to silence the Aus-

TTIBILS.

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D Great Britain had few problems in achieving a 4-2 victory over East Grinstead in Saturday's outdoor match on the club's new artificial pitch. Robert Thompson scored twice for Britain with Potter, from a penalty stroke, and Grimley adding to the score. Lee and Wallis, from a short corner, replied for East Grinstead.

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Chapman hat-trick carries Wilkinson's side back to the top of the first division

Leeds return in stunning style

Sheffield Wednesday 1 Leeds United..... 6

BY CLIVE WHITE

IF MANCHESTER United thought their defeat of Leeds United in the Rumbelows Cup last Wednesday had knocked the stuffing out of the Yorkshiremen, they had better think again.

Leeds's championship challenge is not about to crumble, as they demonstrated amply yesterday at Hillsbrough by seeing off the pretentious bid of Sheffield Wednesday with unquestionably the finest attacking performance seen this season.

Leeds now go into the third and final leg of their epic struggle with Alex Ferguson's team in Wednesday's FA Cup third round tie at Elland Road with their pride very much intact and as the first division leaders once again.

Not only did they overtake their Manchester rivals by a point but they also have a twogoal advantage in goal difference, thanks to this victory.

It was the first time that Leeds have hit anyone for six since their return to the first division two seasons ago, but a more impressive fact for the record books was that this was Wednesday's heaviest League defeat at home in their 125-year history. Trevor Francis's team

could hardly claim mitigating circumstances, since the absence of David Hirst and Paul Warhurst was surely cancelled out by the loss of Gordon Strachan and David Batty from Leeds' midfield. The difference was that Leeds coped admirably with their deficiency; Wednesday did

not. Lee Chapman, with a tre-

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ble, Tony Dorigo, Rodney Wallace and Mark Whitlow were the men responsible for their record-breaking victory only in as much as they were at the sharp end of moves of rapier-like finishing from a Leeds team that was impressive all round.

One can offer them no higher praise than to say they turned the game against one of their closest rivals into a mismatch. Wednesday were stripped a lot more bare than the scantily-clad female who momentarily interrrupted the proceedings midway through the second half before Leeds got on with their own

Howard Wilkinson, the Leeds manager, could not have asked for a more triumphant rekturn to the club he left in October 1988, nor for a greater show of resilience from players who ought, by right, to have been reeling from last week's reverse against Manchester United.

They took a lot of stick after that defeat," Wilkinson said. "but the spirit was tremendous — as was the

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Wilkinson delighted

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HOWARD Wilkinson, the match with a shin injury. manager of Leeds United. "What you saw out there was had words of sympathy for his a testimony to Strachan's former team, Sheffield Wed- presence at the club. The way nesday, after their worst he conducts himself on and home defeat in the League. "I off the pitch and the way he am happy enough with the lives has provided an example victory but I wish it had been somebody else who copped it," Wilkinson, who left Hillsborough for Elland Road in October 1988, said.

was first-class and Rod Wallace and Gary Speed were up and down the pitch all day."

Wilkinson also paid tribute Strachan, who missed the today."

Trevor Francis, the Wednesday manager, refused to use an influenza virus which has run through his team as "Lee Chapman's finishing an excuse. He said: "I don't want to talk too much about our problems. I would prefer to talk about Leeds - they were absolutely brilliant and to his captain. Gordon there was no living with them

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Striking figure: Chapman celebrates the first of his three goals for Leeds at Hillsbrough yesterday

please, he added: "They couldn't have done bener and you could not have asked for

No one would argue with television's selection of Chapman as the man of the match. though there were several other candidates, all of whom wore yellow. Dorigo was one of those who ran him close as he is to Pearce for the England left back position.

It was from Dorigo's surging run and shot that Leeds opened the scoring, after eight minutes. Woods just managed to tip the ball for a corner but he was only delaying what turned out to be a deeply humiliating afternoon for England's No. 1

From the corner by McAllister - assuming the reins of creative responsibility from Strachan — Fairclough headed the ball back to the near post, where Chapman

turned adroitly to score. The slaughter had begun. Breaking swiftly from midfield. Leeds managed to get behind the Wednesday defence with embarrassing ease, although it was a from a stunning 30-yard free kick by

their advantage after 33 minutes.

Wednesday temporarily kept them in check when Sheridan followed up on his own penalty kick to score after Lukic had pushed his first effort against a post. The award, for a foul by Whyte on was highly Watson, debatable.

No matter. Leeds restored their two-goal advantage with another Chapman header and Wilkinson needlessly got himself booked for remarks that he made to a linesman. It was always going to be

that first-half performance but they still managed to add to their tally with further oals from Chaoman and Whitlow - both headers and Wallace. ☐ Liverpool are interested in

signing the Birmingham City pair, Mark Cooper, a midfield player, and Paul Mardon, a central defender. Cooper, valued at £200,000, will probably arrive on trial

Mardon, who is rated at El million was due at Anfield today, but damaged knee ligaments have delayed the deal.

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FA councillors hold key By our Sports Staff

REPRESENTATIVES of football clubs hoping to form the new Premier League next season remained tight-lipped after a three-hour meeting in the East Midlands yesterday. Rick Parry, chief executivedesignate, also said nothing

other than to confirm that he will be talking to his counterpart at the Football Association, Graham Kelly, before the meeting today which could give the go-ahead to the Football's resistance to

change, however, may yet ruin plans for the league's introduction next season. When the 88 FA councillors decide the future direction of English football this morning, only one thing is predictable - the unpredict-

ability of their reaction. Prospects of an elite, FAbacked League starting on time in August would be virtually non-existant if a majority of council members decide against rubber-stamping the formal constitution.

"The FA council's approval cannot be taken for granted," Parry, who has spent months drawing up detailed rules in consultation with first division clubs and lawyers, con-If he is sent back to the

drawing board by council members it will leave just six months for a mass of details to be finalised before the scheduled kick-off. As Kelly has said: "A possible scenario is that the coun-

ciliors will express their views and give the executive a mandate to pursue discussions with other parties."

If the FA fails to reach

agreement, it could mean the Football League retaining its leading attractions for another season. That possibility was raised by Gordon Mc-Keag, the Newcastle solicitor who is chairman of the Football league shadow board. McKeag, a Newcastle United director, believes some

LEEDS'S superiority spoke for itself, Chapman converting three of his seven chances and the team making 19 goel attempts (12 ontarpet), Wednesday managed only a flattering 10 but did notch up

kind of "Super League" will be running next season, but insists it may be under Football League administration.
"It is likely that a Premier League in some form will start next season, although time is running out to make practical arrangements." McKeag said. "I am not at all

mier League because so much still appears to require McKeag believes a feeling is growing within the sport that the leading clubs could have had their "Super League" after all, but under a Football League umbrella. Whether Lytham St Annes gets a belated chance to open that umbrella may depend on a show of FA councillors'

certain it will be an FA Pre-

West Ham crowd is displeased

eight corners to Leeds's six. Both sides pumped the ball into the centre for their big men, Sheffield had 31 crosses to United's 35, the

AROUND 4,000 West Ham United supporters staged a demonstration on the pitch at Upton Park after the club's match with Wimbledon on Saturday. The protest was aimed at the board, which is trying to raise £15 million to modernise the ground in line with the Taylor Report (Russell Kempson writes).

The supporters are angry at the scheme whereby individuals must buy bonds to guarantee them the right of a seat in the revamped stadium. Before Saturday's match, board members discussed the issue with representatives from the supporters. In a statement, the club said: "Both parties felt the meeting was construc-tive and friendly and agreed to meet again shortly." After the game the peaceful yet clearly irate crowd took more than two hours to disperse.

Scotland are hit by loss of Armstrong

BY DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

GARY Armstrong, a key fig-ure in the Scottish team over the last two seasons, is likely to miss much if not all of the five nations rugby union championship. Armstrong, the Jed-Forest scrum half, withdrew yesterday from the Calcutta Cup match with England next Saturday after damaging medial ligaments in his left knee during the club match with Currie.

Even worse, as Scotland try to reconstitute their back row. is the loss of Graham Marshall, the Selkirk flanker. He will have an operation this week after damaging medial and cruciate ligaments of his right knee in the match with Warsonians on Saturday, and his playing future must be in considerable doubt.

Armstrong, aged 25, who will have an exploratory operation, faces an enforced rest of between six weeks and three months. His place against England goes to Andy Nicol, the uncapped Dundee HSFP player, while Marshall's place goes to Ian Smith, the Gloucester captain, who will also win his first cap. Greig Oliver (Hawick) and Rob Wainwright (Edinburgh Academicals) join the replacements.

Nicol, aged 20 with two B caps, played three seasons for Scottish Schoolboys and made substantial progress on the tour to North America last year. Smith, a former England B representative, earns the reward for throwing in his lot with Scotland, which is where his grandparents came from, but the injuries leave Scotland with three newcomers in the critical hinge — back row and half England, who will train privately on Thursday before flying to Edinburgh, trained at Twickenham yesterday without Mickey Skinner (dead leg) and Jason Leonard recovering from influenza and a turned ankle). Two replacements, David Pears and John Olver, were also unavailable, but Geoff Cooke. the team manager, said: "We don't envisage any problems."

The players are not affected by the contractual dispute be-tween the Rugby Football Union and Cotton Traders over the shirts to be worn by England at Murrayfield. An over-simplification of that dispute two days ago may have implied some form of liability, which is not the case; indeed Cotton Traders, headed by three former England players, waited until after the World Cup before proceeding with the dispute, so as not to interfere with the playing

preparations.
Robert Jones, the Weish scrum half, went off with a dead leg during Swansea's defeat at Pontypool but is expected to be fit while Ireland's squad came through their training weekend intact. Philippe Sella, the Agen

centre, will captain France, vho have named a squad of 21 to train for their first championship game, against Wales on February 1. Didier Camberabero, the stand-off half named in the side, is doubtful after pulling a musde in his right leg.

England worry over Lawrence

From Alan Lee, cricket correspondent IN AUCKLAND

ENGLAND'S pleasure at an emphatic one-day cricket win over New Zealand was diminished yesterday by increased fears that injury will rule their fastest bowler out of the first Test match, which starts next

Saurday.
David Lawrence remains under intensive treatment for a muscle strain in his left side. He missed the three-day game against a New Zealand XI, which started in Nelson today, and he is plainly not recovering as quickly as the tour party had hoped.

Micky Stewart, the team manager, said last night: The next couple of days will tell us how serious an injury it is. By Wednesday, we should have a much better idea of his Test prospects."

Lawrence made a considerable impact on the early games of the tour, his natural



Lawrence: treatment

speed being complemented by improved control, and he is one of England's two best attacking bowlers for the three-Test series.

The other — the left-arm spin bowler, Phil Tufnell played his part in the sevenwicket victory on Saturday by bowling ten overs for 17 runs.

Tufnell, however, continues to attract extreme crowd reaction and the England management yesterday took the unusual step of issuing a statement deploring a "re-grettable" incident in which the Middlesex bowler was struck by a peach thrown from the terraces.

Having played in all the earlier games, Tufnell was rested for the today's fixture. in which Alex Stewart was given another chance to demonstrate his credentials as an opening batsman.

New Zealand, badly shaken by the setback on Saturday, have delayed the announcement of their party for the Christchurch Test until tomorrow.

A remarkable cricket week-end in Auckland concluded yesterday with Sir Richard Hadlee playing in a charity match — his first active cricket since undergoing heart surgery - and the England women taking command of their opening Test against New Zealand.

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Servia breaks stranglehold

vatore Servia, of Spain, yes-terday gave Lada their first stage victory in the Paris-Cape Town Rally, breaking the Mitsubishi-Citroen stranglehold on the race for a day.

The stage was marred. however, by another bad accident, which left the French motorcyclist, Francis Alti. with head and facial injuries and multiple fractures after he swerved to avoid a rut and slammed into an oncoming

Alti was due to have surgery in Johannesburg, but his life was not believed to be in danger. Three men have already been killed on the rally. Servia was followed home by two Citroens, driven by

Belgium's former Formula One racing driver, Jacky Ickx, and Finland's former world rally champion, Ari Vatanen, the winner of six stages so far.

In the overall standings, Mitsubishi still lead, with the Frenchman, Hubert Auriol, leading Erwin Weber, of Germany, by more than six minutes, and Japan's Kenjiro Shinozuka by nearly 20.

Clearly at home on the rutted roads of central Namibia. Salvatore's Lada whipped past the other competitors suffering only at the hands of Shinozuka. "I attacked," Salvatore

me from overtaking for about

Stephane Peterhansel, still said. "and apart from has the overall lead. (AFP) Shinozuka, who prevented

kindly let me past Auriol got lost briefly and also had technical trouble, but still managed to salvage

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the stage, losing only four minutes to his team mate. "I lost six minutes by taking the wrong road . . . then I hit a tree stump and 10 minutes later my water and oil lights on the dashboard turned red.

There was nothing wrong. but I was worried that with all this lost time, that Weber was going to catch me up." Edi Orioli, of Italy, won the motorcycle race on a Cagiva, but the French Yamaha rider,

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S Africa seeks to join IAAF

BY DAVID POWELL ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT. .. Amateur Athletic Union and

SOUTH Africa's participation in athletics at the Barcelona Olympic Games looks virtually assured after two of the sport's three governing bodies in the Republic agreed yesterday to seek full membership of the International Amateur Athletic Federation.

Steve Tshwete, the African National Congress negotiator, said that African governments would be lobbied in the next fortnight. "They will accept us, they have to, we will go to the Olympics," Tshwete

A new ruling body, Athlesics South Africa, was set up in Cape Town, and will comprise representatives of the

the Amateur Athletic Congress. Unity is a precondition of South Africa's Olympic return and Deon van Zyl, the AAU president, said: "We believe that unity has been achieved with two_out of three. We have complied with all the preconditions set by the National Olympic Com-

mittee of South Africa," The Amateur Athletics Board, which opposes international competition while South Africa is ruled by whites, did not attend the meeting. Union and Congress officials decided to seek IAAF membership in Mexico City on January 23 and 24.

South Africa's best athlete is Eiana Meyer, who would run the 10,000 metres and provide a stiff test for Liz McColgan. Britain is set to provide an

early test of South Africa's strength. No sooner had their return been noted than the British Athletic Federation announced plans for matches in Cape Town (May 23 and 24) and Edinburgh (June 19) subject to the country's affiliation to the IAAF": South African athletes could appear at the Glasgow indoor meeting on February 8.

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